

FEDERAL FUNDS  
DEMANDED FOR  
FLOOD CONTROL

House Committee Head Says  
Bill Is Result of Hear-  
ings and Surveys

HOLDS FLOODED AREAS  
CANNOT PAY FOR WORK

Would Give Mississippi Com-  
mission Civilian Majority  
and Complete Control

WASHINGTON (AP)—The Federal Government is designated to assume the entire cost and responsibility of controlling Mississippi River floods in a bill introduced by Frank R. Reid (R., Ill.), Representative from Illinois, and chairman of the House Flood Control Committee.

Besides mapping out a plan for curbing the Mississippi's inundations, the measure directs the Federal Government to investigate destructive floods on all other navigable streams of the country and submit to Congress a program for their control.

Named the "Flood control act of 1928," the bill by directing the government to shoulder the entire expense runs counter to the plan designed by Maj.-Gen. Edwin Jadwin chief of army engineers, and recommended to Congress by President Coolidge. The Jadwin plan proposed that the government should bear 80 per cent of the cost and the valley states the remaining 20 per cent.

## Cost Not Specified

The measure does not specify the amount of money to be appropriated and would designate the Mississippi River Commission as the agency to carry out the task. The commission in a report to General Jadwin recommended an expenditure of \$775,000,000 while the army engineers' program fixed the flood control cost at \$188,400,000. The Jadwin plan recommended also that the commission be made an advisory body to the army engineers, depriving it of its present complete control of the project.

Although drafted alone by Mr. Reid, the bill is said to embody many of the views of the opponents in Congress of the Jadwin plan.

"My views differ from those embodied in the reports to Congress only as to the question of the Government's policy regarding payment," Mr. Reid declared in a statement accompanying his bill. "Upon the correct decision on this depends whether or not Congress really wants or intends that disastrous floods like that of 1927 shall never occur again, or whether only a gesture is intended."

## Civilian Majority on Board

Two other minor differences with the Jadwin plan are included in the bill. The commission would be increased from seven to nine members, with a larger representation of civilians over army engineers. Instead of its present reporting to the chief of army engineers, it would submit its findings direct to Congress.

The measure does not outline specific engineering recommendations for the control of the Mississippi, following the Jadwin plan in general, although proposing the use of reservoirs and storage basins if deemed feasible. It does enumerate, however, as index for the engineering program that the river's flood stages should not exceed certain heights along its course which would

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GOV. JOHNSTON  
UPHELD BY COURT

Writ Puts End to Impeach-  
ment Proceedings

OKLAHOMA CITY, Okla. (AP)—Members of the Oklahoma Legislature have been permanently enjoined by the Oklahoma County District Court from holding a special session. The court ruled the self-convened session of the Legislature is illegal, that its members cannot meet and that they cannot continue with impeachment proceedings against any state officer. The injunction also prohibits further investigation of state officers.

The permanent injunction was issued to Gov. Henry S. Johnston and his attorney, Warren K. Snyder, who filed the suit as Governor and taxpayer, respectively.

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## Turbine Wheel Utilizes Waste Power of Exhaust and Is Silencer



NEW AIR-COOLED, SUPERCHARGED ENGINE  
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Indians Sell Souvenirs—Flier Tells Army Cadets  
He Will Visit Mexico on Another Trip in Air

MEXICO CITY (AP)—"Knight of the Order of the Eagle" is the newest and perhaps the most appropriate of the many honors which have been showered upon Col. Charles A. Lindbergh on his good will Mexican flight.

The title was conferred upon the aviator by the Mexican Boy Scouts at a little ceremony in the American Embassy. The scouts, in fact, conferred all three of their highest degrees upon Colonel Lindbergh. These honors were, Knight of the Order of the Lion, Knight of the Order of the Eagle, and Knight of the Order of the Tiger of Tribus de Exploradores, which is the name for the Boy Scouts used in Mexico.

The degrees were the highest degrees of chivalry among the ancient Aztecs and were adopted by the Mexican Boy Scouts as the equivalent of first, second and third degree Scouts.

Celebration Already Begun  
Colonel Lindbergh is having a chance to see the colorful street scenes with the picturesque Mexican celebration of Christmas.

Throughout the capital the plazas are lined with "puestas" or gayly decorated stands. At them Indians, who have come from various parts of the country, offer the occasion, offer fruits, flowers, pottery, other native products of all kinds, toys, trinkets and holiday souvenirs for sale.

Tent, merrymaking, merry-go-rounds and other carnival attractions occupy the various plazas, making each seem a miniature Coney Island.

Mexico's celebration has already begun. It commences nine nights before Christmas, and on each of those nine nights almost every Mexican entertains his friends at his home or goes to the home of a friend to be entertained.

Speaks to Army Cadets  
Colonel Lindbergh likes Mexico so well that he plans to make another flight here. After an eventful day in which he took up President Calles, Gen. Alvaro Obregon, former President, Dwight W. Morrow, American Ambassador, and a dozen others at the Valbuena Air Field, he told 500 cadets at the Mexican military academy, "My flight from Washington to Mexico City will not be my last, as I intend to come back in a year or two."

In a short address to the cadets thanking them for the courtesies showered upon him, he said: "I thank you very much for this homage from the Mexican Army. I appreciate it as I have appreciated all the reception and the honor since I arrived in Mexico."

Colonel Lindbergh has fixed tentatively the route of his Central American tour. The flier said: "If I visit all the Central American countries I probably shall fly from Mexico City to Guatemala City, and thence in this order, to the capitals of British Hon-

duras, Salvador, Honduras, Nicaragua, Costa Rica, Panama and thence to Havana and home to St. Louis."

SAN ANTONIO, Tex. (AP)—Mrs. Evangeline L. Lindbergh, mother of Col. Charles A. Lindbergh, alighted at Kelly Field here at 1:35 o'clock p. m. to spend the Christmas holidays with him.

MAKING RACE DRY,  
WOMEN TO ASK  
MAJOR PARTIES

W. C. T. U. Plans 11 Con-  
ferences for National  
Campaign

EVANSTON, Ill.—Campaign conferences at 11 strategic points of the United States to bring the demand for dry planks and dry candidates before the major political parties have been arranged by the National W. C. T. U. for January and February. It is announced at headquarters here.

The purpose of the meetings is explained in a statement from the National W. C. T. U. "Prohibition will suffer setbacks and present problems, the announcement declared, until it is endorsed and enforced by the major political parties. This country is weary of bootleg politics as it is weary of saloon politics. Therefore the W. C. T. U. will work in the Democratic and Republican parties for platform plank endorsement, prohibition and promising enforcement without reservation; also for the nomination of candidates who are the undoubted friends of prohibition and who desire their country to get the full benefit therefrom."

To Perfect Plans  
The conference, it is planned, will perfect plans for using the nationwide organization of the W. C. T. U. in the pre-convention campaigns as well as in the election campaigns culminating next November.

Speakers of national reputation have accepted invitations to address the first of these meetings, a two-day conference in New York City, Jan. 10 and 11. Among them are Ralph O. Brewster, Governor of Maine; Dr. Daniel A. Poling, president of the United Society of Christian Endeavor; and representatives of important women's organizations co-operating with the W. C. T. U., including the Woman's National Committee for Law Enforcement.

State and national officers will analyze wet propaganda in addresses to the various conferences.

Federal Officers to Aid  
Federal prohibition officers are expected to take part in the presentation of the facts about prohibition enforcement. Maurice Campbell, federal prohibition administrator of New York, is on the program for the conference of the New York, New Jersey and Pennsylvania Unions.

The conferences follow out a policy established by the W. C. T. U. at its last convention at which members pledged the organization to active political efforts in defense of prohibition at the polls. The declaration brought to the veteran temperance organization promises of co-operation from many other women's groups. Representatives of state units of the National League of Women's Clubs are on the program of the opening conference at New York.

Mrs. Henry W. Peabody, chairman of the Woman's National Committee for Law Enforcement, is also announced as a speaker.

MR. COOLIDGE, "DARK HORSE"  
CHICAGO (AP)—President Coolidge "may be drafted as a dark horse at the Republican National Convention in case of a deadlock, as the only man to beat Al Smith," Governor of New York, Henry J. Allen, former Governor of Kansas, declared here.

2-STROKE ENGINE  
TOOBYVATE MUCH  
GEAR SHIFTING

Supercharging and Air-  
Cooling Combined in Blow-  
er of Novel Design

SPECIAL FROM MONITOR BUREAU  
LONDON—A new air-cooled supercharged two-stroke motor engine has been invented by W. L. Adams, who is also the inventor of a springless suspension device. Those three adjectives—air-cooled, supercharged, two-stroke—are sufficient to stamp this engine as something out of the ordinary. There are no air-cooled engines of British design for motor-cars, and only one well-known one in America; supercharging has been little used except for racing engines, and the two-stroke engine has found little favor except for a few motorcycle engines.

By using six cylinders, which are set V-shape at an angle of 60 degrees, the effect of the two-stroke system is to give the torque of a 12-cylinder 4-stroke engine. Usually in an engine of this kind there are no valves, the inlet and exhaust being taken through ports cut in the cylinder walls, which are closed and opened by the pistons, but Mr. Adams uses a rotary valve to admit the mixture, and the ports for the exhaust.

A Novel Blower  
The supercharging and air-cooling are combined in a blower of novel design. Unlike most air-cooled engines, Mr. Adams houses his cylinders under a cow, a high-speed fan being used to create a strong air current past their fins. This also warms the air which is on its way to do its supercharging work.

Now comes the explanation as to how gear changing is largely obviated with this engine. If the car is driven all-out up the hill until more power is necessary, it can be obtained by pressing the accelerator pedal until a stronger spring is actuated which withdraws the clutch and disconnects the blower from the crank shaft. Thus the engine is no longer called upon to drive the blower, and a dynamotor takes on the work of helping the engine. This dynamotor, which is placed just outside the blower, is connected to the outer end of the blower shaft. The blower is speeded up by the electrical drive and makes more supercharging pressure and stronger cooling air current.

Starting Operations  
When starting the engine from cold, the accelerator pedal is pressed fully down, which brings the dynamotor into action, starts the blower, and also delivers a supercharged mixture to the cylinders. When the pedal is released the spinning blower gives sufficient revolutions to the engine to start it.

Another novel point in this engine is the use of a turbine wheel to utilize the waste power coming from the exhaust ports and also to act as a silencer. As Mr. Adams pointed out, with the engine running at 2000 revolutions per minute there would be no fewer than 200 explosions per second or 12,000 per minute. He had found that there was no apparent increase of back pressure from the use of this turbine. Connecting rods are of duralumin and flamed to dissipate heat, while the cylinder blocks are of steel-lined aluminum.

300 PRISONERS RELEASED  
ROME, Dec. 21 (AP)—Three hundred political prisoners have been freed during the past few days. Among those liberated are several former Socialists, Communist and Social-Democratic deputies. In addition to the provisional liberty granted these prisoners, there were many others who have had their sentences reduced.

CHILDREN IN FARM WORK  
BY WIRELESS FROM MONITOR BUREAU  
THE HAGUE, Dec. 21—The Netherlands Government has introduced a bill asking the consent of the States General to Holland becoming a party to the draft agreement adopted inter alia by the International Labor Conference at Geneva in 1921 concerning the age of children who do farm work.

MOTOR SAFETY  
MOVE STARTED  
BY NEW YORK

Insurance Project Planned  
to Operate Like Work-  
men's Compensation

SPECIAL TO THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR  
ALBANY, N. Y.—Motor vehicle officials and legislative leaders are considering two drastic proposals to promote safety on the highways. The first is to establish all over the State separate traffic courts and civil automobile liability courts to hear charges of traffic violations and damage cases resulting from mishaps.

The second proposal is for adoption in New York in some form, perhaps with modifications, of the Massachusetts compulsory insurance law for all automobile owners.

With the State insuring automobiles in New York at the same rates as commercial vehicles, the insurance is now charged by private companies. It is declared by responsible officials that the State would get an additional income of about \$50,000,000 a year, which would solve all the financial difficulties for several years to come and perhaps even make the discontinuance of income tax possible.

Attention has been turned to remedial legislation to promote safety on the roads by the fact that the motor vehicle commissioner, Charles Harnett, has discovered that he will have to report to the 1928 Legislature that fatalities from motor accidents in this State in 1927 totaled nearly 2400, exclusive of the thousands of injuries that were not fatal.

"In all cities," Mr. Harnett declared, "where a justifiable number of violations occur the disposition of arraignments, hearings and trials arising from alleged violations of the

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Iraq Emerges by Treaty Terms  
From State of Tutelage to Britain

New Pact, Concluded on Basis of Equality, Replaces  
the 1922 Agreement—Questions of Finance and  
Military Relations Are Postponed

BY WIRELESS FROM MONITOR BUREAU VIA  
PORTAL TELEGRAPH FROM HALICAP

LONDON, Dec. 21—The gradual emergence of Iraq from a state of tutelage to Great Britain is seen in the terms of the new Anglo-Iraqi treaty, the official text of which is published today. Thus the preamble stresses the fact that the treaty was concluded "on terms of equality," a phrase which is conspicuously absent in the text of the treaty of 1922 which the present agreement replaces. Similarly, Article 5 gives reduced powers to the British High Commissioner in Baghdad.

In the 1922 document, King Feisal "agrees to be guided by the advice of his Britannic Majesty, tendered through the High Commissioner, on all important matters affecting international and financial obligations . . . for the whole period of the reign of His Majesty, the King of Iraq, will fully consult the High Commissioner on what is conducive to a sound financial and fiscal policy, and will insure stability for the organization of the finances of the Iraq Government as long as that Government is under financial obligations to the Government of his Britannic Majesty."

Wanted to Join League  
"His Majesty's High Commissioner is in a position to give information to his Britannic Majesty regarding the progress of events in Iraq and the projects and proposals of the Iraq Government. The High Commissioner will bring to the notice of the King of Iraq any matter which his Britannic Majesty considers might prejudicially affect the well-being of Iraq, or the obligations entered into under this treaty."

It is no secret that Knox Feisal

wanted the immediate admission of Iraq to the League of Nations. The treaty, however, postpones this till 1932, "provided that the present rate of progress is maintained and all goes well in the interval." This is interpreted here as largely due to the fact that France and Persia were expected to oppose Iraq's entry, the former owing to a belief that it would increase the difficulties in Syria, while Persia at present has no relations with its neighbor.

Backs League Conventions  
A fresh feature of the new treaty is Iraq's undertaking to put into force the League conventions against the slave trade, traffic in drugs, arms, women, children, etc.; also "in so far as they apply to Iraq" the League Convention of 1923 of Lausanne, and the San Remo oil agreement. The treaty postpones consideration of two thorny questions—the financial and military relations of Britain and Iraq, which will be subjects of separate agreements to supersede those now in force.

Iraq still owes Britain a considerable sum. Moreover, before Iraq can enter the League it must assume the task of defense against external aggression, for which the responsibility is presently mainly devolved upon the British air force.

REFORESTATION  
POLICY SOUGHT  
FOR ALL STATES

Woods Called Essential to  
Soil Fertility, Water Sup-  
ply and Flood Control

Immediate surveys by every state in the Union for establishment of a definite policy for the conservation and development of forests are urged by William B. Greeley, chairman of the Massachusetts Federation of Planning Boards. This should be done, Mr. Greeley said, not only because forests are an economic necessity but also because they are essential to soil fertility, water supply and as an aid to flood control.

"As never before we need a policy," he declared in an interview in Boston. "In the technical world a policy for the future development of a town, city or state is termed a plan. So we need a plan. The United States Forest Service has collected, by a wide comparison of experiments conducted in Europe, Asia and in this country, as many of the available facts bearing on this matter as have ever been brought together by one agency."

## Decrease Temperatures

These accurate observations, continued for many years, show with certainty, Mr. Greeley pointed out, forests decreased the maximum temperature in one region 15 degrees and increased the humidity 16 per cent. Forests reduce the depth of freezing in the soil to an amount averaging 60 per cent. Rainfall in forested areas had been shown to exceed that in denuded parts by as much as 25 per cent, he went on.

The forest lowers the temperature of the air inside and above it, the vertical influence extending in some cases to a height of 5000 feet, he said, and not only the abundance but the frequency of rainfall is increased by forests; and still further, forests in broad continental valleys enrich with moisture the prevailing air currents that pass over them, thus enable larger quantities of moisture to penetrate into the interior of the continent.

## Reforesting France

Quoting a German investigator, who conducted his work on a world-wide scale, Mr. Greeley said: "The forest soil forms a reservoir whose capacity is greatest when the excess of water on the ground and the danger of flood is greatest. The water stored in time of rest is used by vegetation and for the flow of streams later on when there is usually a deficiency of precipitation."

"France furnishes a good example of the effect of forest cover upon erosion and stream flow. There some 300,000 acres of forest land has been ruined or seriously injured as a result of clearing about the headwaters of streams, and the population of 18 departments was reduced to poverty and forced to emigrate. "Already 183 torrents have been entirely controlled through planting trees at the headwaters of the streams, and 624 more are beginning to show the effect of these forests. Thirty-one of the torrents now entirely controlled were a half a century ago considered hopelessly bad."

## Prevents Erosion

In the United States the effect of destruction of forest cover upon erosion is most impressively shown by conditions prevailing at Ducktown, Tenn. Smelters started about 15 years ago have killed, by sulphuric fumes, all vegetation in their immediate vicinity. The slopes are now bare and are being rapidly eroded.

"This it should appear to us, as we look over some of our devastated hills and parched lowlands, that out-forests mean more to us than a cheap supply of boards and firewood and newspaper pulp. No time should be lost in surveys to be made by states that have not done so, looking toward the preservation of these forests that mean so much. The Governor of Massachusetts, realizing the need of a plan, has already appointed a committee to study the open spaces in the Commonwealth, and this committee has met and organized."

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BRITISH LABOR  
TO JOIN CAPITAL  
IN PEACE EFFORT

Employers and Workers to  
Meet Together to Solve  
Industrial Problems

VETERAN LEADERS  
ARE ENTHUSIASTIC

Left Wing "Policy of Strife"  
Is Denounced by James  
H. Thomas

BY WIRELESS FROM MONITOR BUREAU VIA  
PORTAL TELEGRAPH FROM HALICAP

LONDON, Dec. 21—Remarkable enthusiasm characterized the meeting of the general council of the Trade Union Congress representing 4,000,000 workers which has decided to accept an invitation from a group of 40 employers, controlling 159 concerns with £1,000,000,000 capital to discuss industrial peace. "It was the finest debate I have heard in my long industrial life," said Ben Turner, chairman of the general council at its inception.

"There is going to be peace all round," said John Bromley, general secretary of the Amalgamated Society of Locomotive Engineers, with 58,000 members, and one of the organizers of last year's general strike. The decision was reached by a large majority. The minority was led by Arthur J. Cook, secretary of the Miners' Federation (700,000 members), who declared that a conference with individual employers would not help industry.

## Capital's Offer Appreciated

He was answered vigorously by James H. Thomas, secretary of the National Union of Railwaymen, who denounced Labor's Left Wing policy of strife, and he carried the meeting with him in demanding the acceptance of Capital's friendly gesture for peace. The Labor committee which is to draft the program for the conference comprises Ben Turner, chairman, William Thorn, secretary of the National Union of General and Municipal Workers (300,000 members), Arthur Pugh, representing the Iron and Steel Trades Confederation (100,000 members), Ernest Bevin, secretary of the Transport General Workers' Union (300,000 members), and Thomas Richards, secretary of the South Wales Miners' Federation, as members.

The employers whose invitation was accepted are correspondingly influential. The chief organizers are Sir Alfred Mond, chairman of Imperial Chemical Industries, who recently introduced the far-reaching scheme for taking the workers of this large undertaking into the corporation's councils.

## Most Industries Represented

Two past presidents, six vice-presidents, four other directors of the Federation of British Industries, also the chairman and vice-chairman of the National Confederation of Employers' Organizations are included.

The industries they represent embrace coal, iron, steel, chemicals, railways and transport, banking, gas, rubber, engineering, insurance, ship-ping, oil, cotton, wool, silk and mill-ing. It is also explained that the Federation of British Industries and the National Confederation of Employers' Organizations have only been prevented from participating in the conference by their corporate capacity because their constitutions do not empower this. The conference which will be held next month is regarded with hopeful expectation as a real attempt to get away from optimistic generalities and down to concrete proposals applicable to individual business.

Sir Josiah Stamp, chairman of the London, Midland & Scottish Railway, says: "If the conference means that Labor will go back to their separate industries to deal with co-operation individually it will be well worth while."

Sir Herbert Austin, chairman of the Austin Motor Company, says: "No one can fail now to recognize the difficulties barring the way to prosperity, so the cards will be laid on the table."

The Financial Times advises that the deliberations should be confined to "the discovery and exploration of avenues which shall induce a sustained drive after efficiency by both parties," adding, "the devotion of their energies by representatives of thousands of millions of capital and the vast body of employed labor to the task of evolving a basis for willing co-operation promises, under proper guidance to be a notable contribution to the cause of British prosperity."

AMERICANS INVITED  
TO ROME CONFERENCE

SPECIAL FROM MONITOR BUREAU

NEW YORK—Hofrat Bryck, general manager of the Continental Societies of Authors, Composers and Publishers, has arrived here aboard the steamship Columbus, to report to representatives of the American society regarding the recent congresses of the continental organization held in Bern and Paris. He will invite the American organization to send representatives to the congress, to be held in March in Rome, under the patronage of Premier Mussolini.

The American society had held aloof from these international gatherings, but musicians all over the world feel that music will be furthered by world-wide co-operation, he said.



## DIVERS RESUME WORK FOR MEN IN SUBMARINE

Attempt Also Under Way to Quiet Waters by Use of Compressed Air

PROVINCETOWN, Mass. (P)—Diving operations have been resumed at the wreck of the sunken submarine S-4, after a heavy north-west gale had forced suspension of work for two days.

The mine sweepers Falcon and Lark and the submarine tender Bushnell were moored together above the position of the S-4, and divers were preparing to go down in relays in the effort to lead an air line to the torpedo room of the S-4 in which six men have been imprisoned.

Meantime 10 civilian divers had been transferred from the Falcon to the submarine S-8 to enable them to study the interior of that vessel in preparation for joining in the rescue work. These divers already had studied blue prints of the S-4, but it was deemed advisable to have them gain further first-hand information before going down to the wreck.

Two more pontoons to be used in raising operations have arrived in tow of the tug Luka making a total of five now in the harbor.

At the same time, two of the three pontoons that had been in the harbor since Monday were hoisted aboard the derelict lighter Century which was believed to be preparing to go out to the scene of the disaster.

Announcement came from the Boston navy yard that the destroyer Sturtevant was bringing apparatus with which an attempt might be made to calm the sea with compressed air. Use of compressed air was suggested by Philip Brasher, of Princeton University, who recently set forth the idea that ships anchored in midocean might avoid landing places for trans-Atlantic planes by calming the water around them in a similar way.

The announcement from the navy yard said that Mr. Brasher himself was aboard the Sturtevant and that his scheme for calming the waters off Provincetown would be attempted if it appeared at all feasible.

The Brasher apparatus consists of a length of perforated pipe suspended beneath the water surface by buoys. Compressed air forced into the pipe pushed its way to the surface in a wall of bubbles, shooting upward in a wind current against which rough seas break.

It would not eliminate the long swells, the inventor said, but lashing seas would be halted at the pipe line, forming an even-surfaced wind-brake area in which surface craft and divers might work with greater ease and safety.

**House Demands Action on Part of Congress**  
WASHINGTON (P)—Already deeply stirred by the plight of the victims of the S-4 mishap, the House has received two more demands that Congress take steps to prevent the loss of the lives of navy men in times of peace.

Representative Seger, of New Jersey, offered a resolution to have the House ask the Navy Department to advise Congress as to the safety appliances with which the S-4 was equipped and also whether steps were being taken to improve such devices for possible future emergencies.

The resolution, which was referred to the naval committee, also asked whether the navy considered it had sufficient vessels, pontoons, and other equipment to cope with

such emergencies; if it was the practice of the navy to conduct tests of under-sea craft in such lanes employed in commercial traffic, and how many navy under-sea craft had been sunk through collision or disaster since 1918.

Investigation by a special House committee of the activities of the navy with a view of obtaining "ways and means for safeguarding the lives of the navy personnel" and of increasing the efficiency and comparative strength of the navy, was asked in a resolution introduced by Representative Black of New York.

Mr. Black said that his request for the inquiry was made because "the Navy has recently suffered great losses of life and property not due to war," and because charges of waste and inefficiency had been directed at the Navy Department from high naval quarters.

In an effort to prevent future mishaps such as that which befell the sunken submarine S-4, the American Steamship Licensed Officers' Association has appealed to Secretary of the Navy Wilbur for adoption of the following regulations for submarine operations:

That the area in which submarines are to be operated submerged be selected clear of traffic lanes followed by other vessels.

That public warning, through newspapers and marine publications, be given all shipping in such areas when submarines are operating.

That these areas be patrolled by surface vessels to warn shipping of their presence.

In a letter to Secretary Wilbur, the association pointed out that the proposed reforms might be discussed at a conference of naval officers and shipping interests, with special attention to submarine operations in Long Island Sound, off Narragansett Bay and in the waters between Boston and New York.

**BRITISH TO ATTACK SEAPLANE RECORD**  
By WIRELESS FROM MONITOR BUREAU VIA PORTAL TELEGRAPH FROM HALIFAX  
LONDON, Dec. 21.—An attempt to beat the existing seaplane speed record of 296 1/2 m. p. h. hung up by Italy last month will be made here early in the new year with a supermarine Napier monoplane.

In the meanwhile, the Secretary of State for Air, Sir Samuel Hoare, has announced in the House of Commons that all action necessary will be taken to insure Great Britain's worthy representation in the Schneider Cup race, whether held next year or in 1929. The local air club committee has just visited Morecambe Bay, Lancashire, to test its suitability as a location for this event.

**KING'S SPEECH READ IN ULSTER PARLIAMENT**  
BELFAST, Dec. 21 (P)—Gratification over conditions in Northern Ireland was expressed in the King's speech read before the Ulster Parliament today by Governor, the Duke of Abercorn, proroguing Parliament until March 6, 1928.

The King's speech noted the improvement in trade and that the number of persons registered for employment at the labor exchanges on Oct. 21 was the lowest since the industrial depression which followed the World War. The King also expressed gratification that conditions in Northern Ireland continue peaceful and that cases of serious crime are rare.

**INVESTMENT COMPANY BONDS**  
Jackson & Curtis and I. Iselin & Co. are offering today an issue of \$2,000,000 American European Security Company collateral trust 30-year sinking fund 5 per cent gold bonds, due Jan. 1, 1956, at \$98 and interest, to yield about 4.67 per cent.

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## VERMONT FARMS TO BE BUILT UP IT IS BELIEVED

Federal Report Believes Few Flood-Ruined Areas Will Be Abandoned

SPECIAL FROM MONITOR BUREAU  
WASHINGTON—While some of the best farms in the Vermont valleys were made unproductive by the recent floods and many farmers lost equipment and livestock, it is not believed that many will abandon them, states the Department of Agriculture which has received the report of a survey by the Vermont Extension Service and Federal Crop Reporting Board.

"Many farmers lost everything they possessed, including houses, barns, live stock and equipment," it said. "Much hay was carried away and more was spoiled in flooded barns, but since there have been successively two big hay years in Vermont, and most of the upland farms are now well stocked with hay, there will be no general scarcity this winter. A large proportion of the loss is being borne by a few farmers living in the valleys."

"Losses cover farm lands, buildings, live stock, crops, fuel, food, and household supplies. Nearly 700 farms were affected in some degree by the flood, fully 7000 acres of land being damaged to some extent, varying from slight erosion to coverage with several feet of sand and gravel.

"Many acres of the best meadows along the overflooded rivers will probably not be productive for many years to come," according to the report. "In many places the water completely covered houses, barns and farm buildings. Where valleys were narrow and confined the rivers, gulches many feet deep were formed through fields and meadows."

"Roads and railroads that follow these rivers for miles have been destroyed and new roads must be constructed over new routes, the washing out of railroads being a serious handicap to dairy farmers in getting their milk to market. Grain is being hauled to isolated towns by truck. Although the area of farm land totally ruined is relatively small, the farms destroyed were some of the best and most productive in the area."

**HOUSE BILL ASKS TO CURB RIVERS**  
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place its flow below the existing levees tops.

The enlarging and strengthening of levees, together with the building of additional embankments and the construction of spillways, floodways, and diversion channels where deemed necessary by the engineers, constitute the flood control devices proposed in the bill.

In his statement, Mr. Reid said the flood problem is "the most important to be solved by Congress." He described his measure as the result of "many months of conferences and

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study and several visits to the stricken area during which practically the entire inundated region was surveyed by trips on foot, in automobiles and by airplane.

The Illinois Representative took exception to President Coolidge's declaration in his message to Congress that the flood problem embodied a reclamation phase. Mr. Reid said that reclamation entailed the development of a new agricultural area, while the "fertile acres of the valley had been under cultivation for hundreds of years."

His plea for the Government's assumption of the entire cost is based on his view that the valley is in a bad financial condition because of the 1927 flood, he said.

**ITALY APPOINTS ENVOY TO BELGIUM**  
By WIRELESS FROM MONITOR BUREAU VIA PORTAL TELEGRAPH FROM HALIFAX  
ROME, Dec. 21.—The appointment of Marchese Carlo Durazzo, the Italian Minister to Bucharest, as Ambassador to Brussels was officially announced yesterday. For over six months, since the retirement of the former Italian envoy to Belgium, the Italian Embassy in Brussels has been directed by the Charge d'affaires, the delay in the appointment of a successor being due to Benito Mussolini who was offended at the anti-Fascist attitude assumed by Emilio Vandervelde. After the latter's resignation, however, there was no longer reason for not filling the ambassadorial vacancy, and the resumption of normal diplomatic relations between Rome and Brussels is greeted with great satisfaction in the Rome papers.

**NEW AMBASSADOR NOT TO BE "POMPOUS"**  
BERLIN, Dec. 21 (P)—Germany's new Ambassador to the United States, Dr. Friedrich von Prittwitz und Gaffron, anxiously hopes that he will never be a "pompous ambassador," he is to the American Club at a luncheon held in his honor.

Referring to the informality of the occasion he said that he considered it a good omen to make his first speech in English under such auspices, as he abhorred pomposity. He asked the co-operation of the club's members in promoting German-American friendship.

**LANCASHIRE COTTON INDUSTRY**  
By WIRELESS FROM MONITOR BUREAU VIA PORTAL TELEGRAPH FROM HALIFAX  
LONDON, Dec. 21.—The meeting of British bankers to discuss writing off £1,000,000 to £2,000,000 invested in obsolete Lancashire cotton mills is proposed by Samuel Hamersley, who said that there were now 200 mills in the hands of the banks and these "lame ducks," producing loss, depress prices and prevent the recovery of the British cotton trade. Fifty mills ought to be closed, he added, and if the banks did that then the cotton trade would be able to make a maximum of sacrifice.

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## WORLD SURVEY TO BE MADE FOR HOUSING PLANS

Best in Europe and America to Be Studied for New Developments

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CHICAGO—Inspired by hope of finding some plan by which city and rural persons of moderate or small incomes can buy a home without hardship, a comprehensive research into methods and standards and possible ways of improving housing in the United States and Europe, is to be conducted for the public welfare by the Institute for Research in Land Economics and Public Utilities, affiliated with Northwestern University here.

The Carnegie Corporation of New York has appropriated \$37,500 for this study, Dr. Richard T. Ely, director of this university institute of public service, announced, commenting that no restrictions whatever were placed on how this fund is to be used. The amount is not sufficient for all plans of the research program and it is expected that others who realize the importance of developing an easier plan of home-owning may aid in financing the project, he said.

Enough substantial progress has already been made in recent housing projects here and abroad to justify expectations that a more practical plan can be developed and those who long to own their own homes may take encouragement, Dr. Ely stated in an interview.

**Aim to Be Well Prepared**  
"What we have in mind," he explained, "is to establish standards and methods; if we achieve this and stimulate others, our work acquires national and perhaps even international significance. We feel that now what is needed above all else is research so when development takes place it may be along sound lines."

"Specifically the first consideration would be to select from three to six areas which will lend themselves conveniently to such a study and they must be ones that can be studied intensively. They must also be representative of different typical conditions so that the findings will throw light on the whole problem of urban and rural home ownership and tenancy and produce general principles of significance."

"Any large city offers many such representative areas but selection of the proper ones for this study will require considerable thought and care. For purposes of illustration

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three areas might be considered: An industrial district; a high class residential area and a neighborhood in the vicinity of an educational institution or some particular community development.

**How Areas Will Be Studied**  
When selections of areas are made, the institute will seek to find such facts as its size, history of development, nature of development, character of population in it, including incomes, literacy, occupations and sizes of families, whether real estate values in it have retarded or encouraged building, home-ownership or tenancy, and to what extent so-called multi-family housing units obtain.

They will inquire concerning extent and success of co-operative ownership in the area, whether population is stable, how special conditions such as ordinances, taxation systems, business conditions and transportation influence home ownership in the area, and what measures should be taken to facilitate the step from tenancy to home-ownership.

Questions such as public versus private effort in the housing field, government subsidy of private ownership, limited dividend corporations, and other subjects requiring study outside the area will also be studied, according to the program.

**CHINESE CONTINUE ANTI-RED CAMPAIGN**  
SHANGHAI, Dec. 21 (P)—The campaign in Canton to crush Bolshevism out of existence is still continuing, while reports from Hankow indicate that executions are continuing in the Wuhan cities of Hankow, Wuchang and Hanyang.

Hankow dispatches told of the execution of more than 20 Chinese Reds over the week-end.

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## MOTOR SAFETY MOVE STARTED

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motor vehicle law should be separated from other litigation by means of the establishment of traffic courts. This opinion is prompted by the impression that crowded calendars prevent the court from giving each violation the consideration it should have in affording ample protection to the public."

The particular state insurance plan that is being studied calls for creation of a fund similar to the workmen's compensation arrangement, so that the question of liability is not considered, but all injuries are compensated from the fund, no matter who was responsible for them.

Both these proposals have been suggested to Governor Smith informally, and he is believed to be considering them seriously.

**BRITISH-PORTUGUESE ALLIANCE CONTINUES**  
LONDON, Dec. 21 (P)—The ancient alliance between Great Britain and Portugal, which has covered the Portuguese colonies in Africa, will be maintained in force by the British Government, Sir Austen Chamberlain made this announcement in an

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## FRANCE HOPES UNITED STATES WILL BE LENIENT

Henry Berenger Makes Proposal Regarding Germany's Reparation Liabilities

PARIS, Dec. 21.—In the thoughts of many responsible Frenchmen the hope lingers that America will relent in its demand for the repayment of loans arising from the war and that there will be a general American-European cancellation of war debts with the single exception of one important item. It is argued here that the London Agreement of 1921 put the total German reparations at \$33,000,000,000 payable to the European allies, which in turn owe to America \$23,000,000,000. This leaves \$10,000,000,000 balance, of which France was slated to receive 50 per cent. Never, says France today, will it relinquish a penny of its promised \$5,000,000,000, for it is on the strength of this sum that the reconstruction of the war-devastated area has been undertaken, and it will all be needed to cover war damages.

Seymour Parker Gilbert's third annual report for Germany as Agent-General of Reparations has shocked France. He stipulated that the total German debt must be eventually fixed, and Germany left free to make its payments without foreign supervision.

### France Deeply Stirred

Washington cables reaching French newspapers and stating that the White House backs Mr. Gilbert and furthermore considers that German reparations and allied war debts are completely separate have also deeply stirred the French. Every day reveals more clearly French sentiment, and completely new angles have been developed in the last 24 hours.

### New Features Have Been Introduced

By Senator Henry Berenger in a French press statement just published in which he declares some doubt about Germany ever being able to pay \$33,000,000,000. It can, however, pay \$10,000,000,000, which is the difference between what the European allies owe the United States and what Germany owes them.

M. Berenger therefore allows the inference that if America would forget its \$23,000,000,000 the allies would wipe off the same amount from Germany's debit column, and thus leave Germany only \$10,000,000,000 to pay which the allies would receive to meet the cost of the actual war damages.

### M. Berenger's Proposal

M. Berenger makes the illuminating proposal of "mobilizing these \$10,000,000,000 in the form of the international loan for the proportional profit of the nations which have executed for themselves their war reparations." This amount, of which France is to get one half, he goes on to say, is for devastated France the sole guarantee that with all the foreign war debts annulled, a portion of its internal debt expended in reconstructing the war's devastations will be reimbursed by Germany.

M. Berenger concludes with this succinct statement of French attitude. It must be recalled that he was formerly Ambassador to Washington and drew up with Andrew W. Mellon, the debt-funding agreement of two years ago, which has never been ratified. "France," he says, "can never abandon the guarantee of these \$5,000,000,000, as they have figured in the maintenance of the equilibrium of its internal finances and foreign accounts. Not only will France never pay the allies, except in proportion to what Germany will pay France, but France will never waive above the supplementary reimbursement of the reparations guaranteed by the Versailles Treaty and the scale of payments laid down in 1921."

### Evidence of Early Asiatics

### Discovered in South Africa

### Believed to Have Reached African Coast in Huge Canoes More Than 2000 Years Ago

### Special From Monitor Bureau

CHICAGO—Evidence of a great migration of people of Asiatic origin to southern Africa and Madagascar, the world's third largest island, that must have taken place more than 2000 years ago, was discovered during two years of travel and research on the island by Dr. Ralph Linton, assistant curator of Oceanic and Malayan Ethnology at Field Museum of Natural History here.

This, the museum announced, had been hitherto unknown and unsuspected by historians and anthropologists, and the report is expected to revolutionize a large part of the theories about population in that part of the world now accepted by scholars as of racial science and history.

Evidence that this migration took place has helped clarify some hitherto seemingly unexplainable conditions there, Dr. Linton said, in an interview.

"In Madagascar," he explained, "all recognized that the population consists of the black African and the brown Indonesian related to the natives dwelling in the interior of Borneo and the Philippines, but it was always supposed that the base of population was African." Evidence has been discovered, however, by this expedition to show that the brown people came there first.

"Probably these Indonesians came 2000 years ago in great outrigger canoes 100 feet or more in length, bearing perhaps 200 persons and food supplies for months, paddling their way westward over 3000 miles of sea from Java or Sumatra. Their canoes that could go anywhere that a schooner might sail."

"Another group probably went northeastward into the Pacific, settling in the Philippine islands, the Marquisas, Hawaii and other Pacific islands. In light of this evidence, one can account for the striking resemblances found in present day natives of Pacific islands and those of Madagascar, despite the wide separation of the islands and natural expectation that Madagascar would have been inhabited by a Negro race like Africa, its neighbor. But the Africans were not sailors.

"Bases of culture in Madagascar were discovered to be Asiatic, not African. The natives speak a language Asiatic in origin, rather than African. Their chief crop and food is rice, which is true of Asiatics, not Africans. They were the only people known to have been able to absorb Arabs into their race—the Arabs having lost their religion and language—and this shows they must have been well established long ago.

The Hottentot and bushman of South Africa, with slant eyes, are perhaps a hybrid race of mixture of the Negro and Indonesian. The Malagasy, term for Madagascar tribes collectively, have an old culture comparable to that in Europe 7000 years ago. There is a vestige of the stone age in this culture. They are putting up monuments of stone like those left in Europe by men of the neolithic age, such as the famous Stonehenge in England, estimated to date about 5000 B. C."

The expedition brought back to the museum 4500 specimens of native arts and industries and other significant things.

### PARDONED LEGIONNAIRE RETURNS TO AMERICA

### Special From Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK—Bennett J. Doty of Biloxi, Miss., recently pardoned after nearly three years' imprisonment for desertion from the French Foreign Legion, has just returned here on board the steamship Majestic of the White Star Line.

"I have nothing but friendly words for the Foreign Legion, for France and for Morocco," he said. Mr. Doty was met at the pier by his father and mother.

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Journalist Says Supplier of Hearst "Documents" Sold Forgeries

### Special From Monitor Bureau

WASHINGTON—James R. Sheffield, formerly American Ambassador to Mexico, is expected to be subpoenaed by the special Senate committee investigating the alleged Mexican documents published by the Hearst newspapers, as the result of the testimony unexpectedly obtained from Robert H. Murray, a newspaperman of many years' experience in Mexico.

Members of the committee also indicated that it was likely that officials of the State Department might be called to testify concerning documents it is declared are in their possession. The papers, known to be spurious, are said to purport to be official records of both the Mexican and American Governments.

Mr. Murray's story to the committee afforded what may prove a solution of the so far unexplained coldness of the United States Government toward the Mexican Government during 1926 and in the spring of 1927, when Frank B. Kellogg, Secretary of State, and President Coolidge himself in a message to Congress charged the Mexican Government with unfriendly activities.

Based on "Documents" According to the witness these views were predicated on "documents" obtained by Mr. Sheffield, while Ambassador in Mexico City, and which Mr. Murray asserts are forgeries.

Later, when through the agency of a newspaperman it was discovered that the Mexican Government was in possession of what had been represented to it as genuine American documents, and a check-up between the two governments showed that the papers were false, both governments took steps to bring about a rapprochement and that policy is now under way at full speed.

Mr. Murray is at present office manager of the New York branch of the Bank of Mexico. He was the correspondent of the New York World in Mexico City from 1911 to 1919 and has written about Mexico for national magazines. His story was in part as follows:

He returned to Mexico City in March, 1927. Before he returned he had heard from newspapermen that there were a considerable number of forged documents in circulation in Mexico, supposed to come from both the Mexican and United States Governments and that newspapermen themselves were "peddling them."

"Message" Proved False When he got to Mexico City a friend, Arthur Constantino, the New York World correspondent, showed him a copy of a document which had been given to him, purporting to be a New Year's message from President Calles to the governors of the Mexican Federal States, in which he attacked Ambassador Sheffield in unmeasured terms. A check through different sources proved this document utterly false.

Mr. Constantino informed Mr. Murray that he had been given the paper by Miguel Avila, the man who obtained all the Hearst documents now being investigated by the Senate committee. He also told him "Avila

### is a wonder at getting documents, and this one is only one of many he has sold the American Embassy."

A few weeks later Mr. Murray met the Chicago Tribune, who informed him that Señor Avila had offered to sell him three documents, one of which purported to show that Mr. Murray himself was receiving \$1000 a month from the Mexican Government for propaganda purposes.

Mr. Murray was indignant and when Mr. Seides informed Señor Avila of the fact, the latter became apologetic and expressed regret, saying that he had no desire to "make trouble for Mr. Murray."

### Names Correspondent

He then informed both Mr. Murray and Mr. Seides that he had obtained the document from Joseph De Courcy, correspondent for the New York Times, saying that "De Courcy had made it up. I know it is a fake and I want to withdraw it."

Mr. Murray demanded that Señor Avila sign an affidavit concerning the matter. He promised to do so, made penciled corrections as to dates on an affidavit prepared by Mr. Murray for him, but disappeared from Mexico City without signing the affidavit.

Before he did so, however, he asked Mr. Murray for a "loan" of \$300, and he also, according to Mr. Murray, informed him that he could not go to the American Consulate to sign the affidavit as he had sold the document as genuine to the American Ambassador and could not very well now swear that it was false.

The corrected affidavit and a penciled I. O. U. notation said by Mr. Murray to have been written by Señor Avila on a piece of newspaper when he asked him for the \$300 loan were given the committee by Mr. Murray. The witness also informed the committee that Señor Avila in another conversation told him that "the American Embassy had been very generously in the market for Mexican documents." It is these documents which are declared to have been one cause of strained relations between the United States and the Mexican Government.

### HUNGARIAN PIANIST PLANS CONCERT TOUR

### Special From Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK—Music is turning for its inspiration toward the pre-classic folk songs, declared Bela Bartok, modern Hungarian composer, arriving on board the steamship Columbus for his first visit to America.

America "jaz" has the same significance in music, he said, as the old gypsy folk songs, and some of it is real music and will live. Mr. Bartok has made a special study of Hungarian and gypsy folk music and has collected more than 50,000 examples. On this first visit to America he will remain only 10 weeks, he said, playing piano concerts in 10 cities.

### "BUREAU OF NEW IDEAS"

### PHILADELPHIA—In the six weeks during which the Pennsylvania Rail-

road's Bureau of New Ideas has been in existence, approximately 650 individual suggestions have been submitted by employees from all parts of the system. The first suggestion was found to contain considerable merit and was adopted. It referred to the use of stationery, and its adoption is expected to result in a saving.

## NAVAL HEARING SHOWS DIVISION OF HOUSE VIEWS

Magruder Proposal Favors Reduction in Number of Rear Admirals to 45

### Special From Monitor Bureau

WASHINGTON—A flurry within the House Naval Affairs Committee, examining Rear Admiral Thomas P. Magruder's charges of extravagance in the Navy Department, brought to an end the first part of the hearing, which will start again after the recess.

The incident revealed the sharp divergence among committee members over the value of Admiral Magruder's testimony and came at the wind-up of a session in which the naval officer had proposed putting one out of every five American admirals on the retired or inactive list.

Fred A. Britten, (R), Representative from Illinois, acting chairman, attempted to deliver a general oral condemnation of the Admiral's charges similar to the written statement he issued subsequent to the last meeting of the committee.

Cries of protest from A. Piatt Andrew (R), of Massachusetts, and James V. McClintic, (D), of Oklahoma, halted Mr. Britten's sweeping criticism and the committee decided to recess and resume hearings later before announcing judgment on the validity of Admiral Magruder's statements.

Admiral Magruder said he would reduce the 57 rear admirals now in the navy to 45. As an indication of how this would be done he urged that the general board and the planning division of operations be combined, with the elimination of two admirals. Carl Vinson (D), of Georgia, criticized Admiral Magruder's position, on the ground that instead of reducing costs for the navy many of his proposals would ultimately increase them.

Putting new ships in operation in the Caribbean as the admiral had proposed, Mr. Vinson said, would be a large expense. He attacked also the proposal to reduce the number of many yards on the Atlantic coast and the general policy advocated by the admiral of having all battleship construction carried on in private yards rather than navy yards. Without the potential existence of navy yard competition, Mr. Vinson said, the Government might have to pay exorbitant sums for naval construction, provided private builders united to keep prices up.

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## New York Sculptor Wins Prize for Typifying Pioneer Women

Bryant Baker's Entry Selected by Votes of 123,000 Persons All Over United States for Erection on Ponca (Okla.) Hilltop

### Special From Monitor Bureau

NEW YORK—The statue of "The Pioneer Woman" by Bryant Baker, New York sculptor, has just been announced as the winner of a nationwide contest for a monument to be erected overlooking Ponca City, Okla., as a tribute to the fortitude of the women who trekked West with their husbands to found a new empire.

The contest was sponsored by E. W. Marland, of Ponca City, president of the Marland Oil Company. The winning statue will be of heroic size and placed on a hilltop which commands the view of the entire city. The park and monument will cost approximately \$300,000, of which about one-third will go to the sculptor.

Mr. Baker's statue represents a woman in the rugged costume of the western pioneers. With head upraised she is striding forward. In the curve of her right arm she carries a Bible, with a bundle tied in a loop of cloth swinging beneath it. Her left hand clasps the hand of her son, guiding him as he walks with her, his carriage reflecting the resolute progress of his mother.

The contest was started two years ago. Twelve prominent sculptors took part in the competition, submitting four-foot bronze models which were voted on by the public in various cities where they were placed on exhibition. Mr. Baker's model received a total of 42,478 votes for first choice, and was the popular favorite in 11 cities. More than 750,000 persons viewed the exhibitions and a total of 123,000 votes were cast.

Mr. Baker numbers among his more important commissions, a statue of Edward D. White, formerly Chief Justice of the United States Supreme Court, in New Orleans; a monument to General Gorgas in Panama, and bust portraits of General Pershing and President Coolidge in Washington.

The other sculptors entering the contest were Mahoney Young, Jo Davidson, John Gregory, Wheeler Williams, Maurice Sterne, A. Stirling Calder, Mario Korbel, Arthur Lee, F. Lynn Jenkins, Hermon A. MacNeil and James E. Frazer.

The exhibitions were held in Boston, Pittsburgh, Buffalo, Chicago, Cincinnati, Detroit, Indianapolis, Kansas City, Dallas, Oklahoma City, Fort Worth, Ponca City and New York.

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## AMERICAN BOYS' TOUR ABROAD TO AID FRIENDSHIPS

Vacation School Arranged at Chateau du Montcel, in Vicinity of Paris

Schoolboy friendships are going to be turned to the service of international good will in a program of summer schooling and touring abroad for American boys under plans which have been announced by a committee of headmasters of boys' academies in the United States.

Through the co-operation of 12 preparatory schools a summer vacation course will be started in France during 1928 with facilities for three boys from each of these schools, according to W. Huston Lillard of Tabor Academy, Marion, Mass., chairman of the committee. Other schools will be welcomed as participants in the plan, he said, and later the program will include as many schools in this country and others as wish to enter it.

**Will Meet French Students**

The vacation school in France will be located this season at the Chateau du Montcel near Versailles and Paris, a 40-acre country estate which is the home of a school for French boys and where the youths will be in association with French students in classes, sports, and trips. The committee felt that it was better to make a practical beginning, though small, at once, and expects that this school will become the type of many others to be held in many countries.

Sailing from New York on July 7, the group will spend six weeks at Montcel, with short trips to points of interest near the French capital, then will visit Geneva, Lausanne, and London before returning via Liverpool and Montreal. The expense for each boy is calculated at \$700.

**Developing World Accord**

"International fellowship through schoolboy contacts" is the committee's announced objective in the plan. "It has been well demonstrated," said Mr. Lillard, "that the schoolboys of the different countries are open-hearted and unprejudiced. When brought together they are sure to develop warm friendships which are enduring. To the headmasters of the schools now co-operating this program seems like a very practical means of developing international accord. Surely it is more promising than some of the political gestures that are indulged in by grown-ups."

An experimental period of nine years in international contacts at Tabor Academy has convinced Mr. Lillard of the usefulness of the program. Seventeen visiting parties from that school have gone during those years to England, France and Central America. Boys from other countries also have been invited to the summer term at Tabor. Guests from England, France, and Germany are expected next summer.

In the course at Montcel the boys will spend three hours of study each morning, which will include lessons in French conversation and lectures on social, economic and cultural history of France.

## HUNT FOR STILLS HELD PLAN OF GAS COMPANY

PROVIDENCE, R. I. (AP)—Disclaiming all responsibility for the recent move to enlist gas meter readers in locating household stills, John S. Murdock, United States attorney, declared that the order that meter readers should report the presence of stills in cellars to the Blackstone Valley Gas & Electric Company, who, in turn, would report to the Government, was issued by David Daly, president of the gas company, on his own volition.

Mr. Murdock said that Mr. Daly

came to his office to complain of the situation but that he "did not order, request or even suggest that he direct his meter readers to report to him and that he report to me dwelling houses in which they found stills. Indeed, such information would be of small practical value, as the difficulty is not so much in locating the stills as in getting evidence upon which a search warrant might issue. What Mr. Daly should do in the premises was left entirely to him, and I disclaim all responsibility for his order to the meter readers."

## SOUTHERN MILLS SLOW DOWN TO SAVE MARKET

CHARLOTTE, N. C. (AP)—Cotton mills in the Carolinas and Georgia will reduce operations at once in an effort to prevent cloth buyers from gaining control of the market, it was learned on receipt of a statement from Walker D. Hines, director of the Cotton Textile Institute, that



A Rural "Motor Library" in Ireland, Frankly Educational, Yet Carrying Light Wholesome Fiction.

at least 3,000,000 spindles would be put on reduced time received at headquarters of the American Cotton Manufacturers' Association here, said that practically every mill had indicated an intention "in view of the emergency" to reduce operations for the time being beginning Dec. 23 by closing at noon each Friday for the rest of the week.

## SUCCESSFUL TESTS FOR NEW BELLANCA

Chamberlin Says He Has "Never Seen Such a Plane"

SPECIAL FROM MONITOR BUREAU  
NEW YORK—Basking at an angle which few airplanes can successfully maintain, and landing at a speed estimated as low as 20 miles an hour, the new monoplane designed by G. M. Bellanca has just completed successfully its first test flight here.

Clarence D. Chamberlin, who piloted the Bellanca airplane Columbia from New York to Germany, was at the controls of the new craft. In the face of a 45-mile wind, the new flying machine was perfectly maneuvered, and Mr. Chamberlin stepped out of it to declare enthusiastically that he had "never seen such a plane, and neither has anyone else."

A new endurance record will be sought with the latest Bellanca model. Roger Q. Williams, who is to pilot the new airplane on the record attempt, was a passenger with Mr. Chamberlin on the test flight from Miller Field, S. I. to Curtis Field, L. I. The owner of the airplane, A. R. Martine, who is promoting an air line to Chicago, and Ben Zabara also were passengers.

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## With the Libraries

Rural Book Service in Ireland

By R. WALSH

Librarian and Secretary to the Dublin County Council

Dublin, Ire.

THE Modern Rural Library Movement in Ireland, as in Great Britain, owes its existence to the activities and generosity of the Carnegie United Kingdom Trust. Following investigations made by Professor Adams of Oxford in 1916 at the instigation of the trust, a new library policy was inaugurated in both countries. Henceforth the aim of the trust was to bring books practically into the homes of the people, because experience showed that the library

their energy in issuing books to school children and grown-ups.

In England the County Education Committee administers the county library, in Ireland, where education is centralized in the Ministry of Education, with no local committees, the county council is the library authority and generally administers the library scheme through a subcommittee.

Up to the present 19 county councils of the Irish Free State have adopted the Library Acts. In northern Ireland three out of the six counties have library schemes in operation.

**In Infancy**

The county library movement is only in its infancy. Many of the methods adopted in the early years of the movement are being discarded as impracticable, and newer methods are being devised. County Dublin, the latest county seat to start a county scheme has, for example, provided a book van for the distribution of books instead of the unsatisfactory book boxes.

Where the work and aims of the county libraries become known there is the greatest enthusiasm for them. After the troubles of the last 12 years the people were sunk in apathy. The new rural schemes are doing much to rouse them, to give them a realization of their own powers, and to drive off the worst enemy of progress, despair and lack of confidence in themselves.

County Dublin is one of the counties which has a large number of library buildings, 13 of which were built by Mr. Carnegie. These buildings had ceased to function as libraries, though they served a useful purpose as village halls where dances and cinema shows were held. It is the aim of the Dublin County Council to restore the buildings to the use for which they were primarily intended by Mr. Carnegie, as the center of culture and refinement in the district.

In one respect Ireland is better off than England since by the local government act, 1925, power was granted to urban and county councils to spend money on lectures. The value of these lectures is incalculable, as they attract people to the libraries, and interest them in subjects which may be studied more deeply in the books supplied to the library. Lectures are given in libraries on history, local history and antiquities, folklore, natural history, etc., and illustrated where possible with lantern slides.

Guidance and encouragement in reading will be given through the new guild for rural clubs which is keen on co-operating with the county libraries committee. They will conduct reading circles, and the reading and production of plays will, it is hoped, develop out of this work.

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### Public Hesitancy Over Purchasing of Receivers Using New Tubes Is Analyzed

This is the first of two articles on the question of "Should I purchase an A. C. operated set, and what kind?" This question has been asked so incessantly in this department during the last few months that these articles have been prepared in an effort to answer it.

By VOLNEY D. HURD

Among the purchasers of radio receivers but one question seems to be outstanding this year and that is electric operation, commonly called A. C. or alternating current operation. Before saying anything further on this subject the writer would like to state that there are as many opinions on A. C. operation as there are presidential possibilities for 1928. To say anything about the subject is to tread on dangerous ground and some school of engineers will be found to oppose whatever attitude one may take.

It is for this reason that we have put off until the present any discussion of A. C. operation since it was hoped that with the passing months some unity might be shown on this subject. Things remain, however, as they were so that having delayed as long as possible we shall start out on an A. C. nonstop fight regardless of what may face us.

Proper preparation as far as possible has been made. Many A. C. sets have been heard, many trade papers studied, many dealers interviewed, and engineers, and last, but not least, a large group of prospective purchasers approached. The material in this and the next article will, therefore, be based on these investigations. Long dreamed of as the ultimate in radio from the first day that the trade tried to hide away the unsightly wires and batteries characteristic of early receivers, this year found a solidified demand among consumers for A. C. operation. To be sure, many manufacturers, looking around for a new selling appeal, seized upon this popular desire as an answer to their needs.

#### Trickle Charger Idea

Last year, in an effort to avoid the nuisance of batteries, we saw the trickle charger and battery, which sufficed for A. C. elimination. This combination is not true socket power, however, in the writer's humble opinion. If it is, then any storage battery, since it is charged from a charger connected to the house current supply. When the trade started talking battery elimination it said something that was due to find a strong and permanent lodging place among the listening public.

The elimination of B batteries did not offer such a difficult problem once the manufacturers learned not to skimp on the material used, and good rectifying tubes were made available. But the successful installation of these devices last year definitely created a desire to have a source of A. C. power equally convenient and DRY. That last word must not be forgotten, for it is the

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There are more radio aerials in one block along Grant Avenue, Chinatown's main street, than in any other block in San Francisco, according to Gen. Sam Mue of the United States Immigration Office.

Their residence restricted to Chinatown, the Chinese necessarily live in crowded fashion. Radio appeals to them not only as a means of bringing in the music and entertainment of the outside world, but also for its value in keeping the children of the streets, Gen. Mue declared.

### GRADUATE OF 1925 IS NEW YALE DEAN

Robert M. Hutchins to Succeed Hutchins

NEW HAVEN, Conn. (AP)—Two and a half years after his graduation from Yale Law School, Robert M. Hutchins has been formally appointed dean of the law school after serving a year as acting dean.

Dean Hutchins' appointment will take effect with the opening of the



ROBERT MAYNARD HUTCHINS

second term, Feb. 9. He will succeed Thomas W. Swan, who accepted an appointment from President Coolidge to the circuit court of appeals for the second circuit.

Dean Hutchins graduated from Yale College in 1921, after serving with the United States ambulance service in the Italian army, where he received the Croce di Guerra. He took office as secretary of the university in 1923, succeeding the Rev. Anson Phelps Stokes.

While acting as secretary he completed his studies in the Yale law school, receiving his degree magna cum laude in 1925. Immediately after graduation, he was appointed to the law school faculty and was appointed acting dean last February. He is a son of the Rev. William J. Hutchins, Yale '92, president of Berea College, Berea, Ky.

**UPHOLDS CHILDREN'S FARES**

Recommendation against the repeal of a law which requires street railways to make special fares for school children has been made in a special report by the Massachusetts Department of Public Utilities to the Legislature.

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With the aid of one of the mothers who was called in to advise, the program, consisting of dances which they interpreted in their own way, was carried out. Even some of the "grown-ups" added a little to the performance by way of variety.

An admission fee of a cent was charged, and when the receipts were counted, it was found that they had nearly two dollars. They joyfully spent the money for a beautiful bouquet of roses and presented it to grandma with a note, happy in the thought that they had earned this tribute of love through their own efforts.

**Two Poems**

THE SUNDIAL has evoked two more little poems, the first by Miss B. L. H. of Park City, Mont., and the second by Miss L. I. H. of Baltimore:

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# Features of News Gathered From Many Parts of the World

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**SPECIAL TO THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR**  
HOBART, Tas.—The Labor Government, which ironically has been described as the best Nationalist Government Tasmania has ever had, is enjoying widespread popularity today because the Treasurer, Mr. Lyons, in his recent budget statement to Parliament announced a further cut in taxation.

The Commonwealth Government has now agreed to consider a readjustment of the financial relationship, thereby enabling the state Government to reduce the heavy taxation imposed upon the people of Tasmania, which was fully 30 per cent over the average of that paid in the other states. Last year the state Government cut 20 per cent off the income tax, and the Commonwealth, which also levies direct taxation in all states, knocked off 10 per cent.

The state Government has now announced a further cut of 15½ per cent, and the Commonwealth tax is to come down another 10 per cent, so that taxpayers are feeling very jubilant. On the basis of the 1924 opinion that we can't afford the \$250,000 it will cost. The site—a noble one, three times the size of our

scure corners, are passed without so much as a thought.  
As Mr. Palmer says, the Lincoln memorial should "signify to future generations the value of his home country (it not his home city) placed upon the outstanding statesmanship, the sterling uprightness, the intense and masterful mental grip and tenacity combined with the home-loving simplicity of this remarkable man of our Norfolk kindred." Mr. Palmer's point is that the town hall would form a setting to the memorial and that the one would give significance to the other.  
Mr. Palmer puts forward his proposal as follows: "Norwich wants a new town hall, and it is the general opinion that we can't afford the \$250,000 it will cost. The site—a noble one, three times the size of our

## NORWICH WANTS LINCOLN STATUE

**Secretary of Labor Party  
Would Link Memorial  
With New Town Hall**

**SPECIAL TO THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR**  
NORWICH, Eng.—An interesting proposal has been put forward that the Lincoln memorial shall be linked up with the plan for a new town hall. As the consideration of the details of the memorial is still at a very early stage, it is impossible to say whether this idea will be adopted or not.  
The proposal comes from Herbert Palmer, secretary of the Norwich branch of the Independent Labor Party. Mr. Palmer points out that unless the scheme is approached with vision and understanding, the memorial may share the fate of others now forgotten. The city is full of these statues, which, erected in ob-

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## Hungary Honors Memory of Lajos Kossuth, the Patriot

**Statue to Intrepid Leader Erected in Front of Parliament House, Budapest, Amid Festivities, With Speech by Count Apponyi**

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BUDAPEST.—No more impressive site could be found for the new statue of Kossuth, the leader of Hungarian nationalism in the nineteenth century, than the present one, in front of the stately Parliament House, with the Danube, and the hills of old Buda in front. In its completed

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form this marble monument by the Hungarian sculptor, John Honfalvi, is one of the largest of its type in Europe, and is worthy of the ideal of national freedom for which it stands.  
But why, it may be asked, has it taken such years for the Hungarian nation to recognize one of its chief heroes? The answer lies not in the period of ingratitude, but in the fact that as long as the Austro-Hungarian monarchy lasted Kossuth was officially looked upon in court circles, both in Vienna and Budapest, as a rebel to the central authority.  
The unveiling ceremony at Budapest was the occasion for a great display of patriotism. Delegates from more than 2000 Hungarian societies, and from America, Britain, Poland, Turkey, etc., were present to hear the dedicatory speech from Count Apponyi, the Grand Old Man of Hungarian politics today. An unusual tribute was laid at the foot of the memorial in the form of a wreath of bank notes, stamped with the head of Kossuth, from the factory at Nagy-szabolcs. A personal touch was supplied by the presence of the survivors of the famous army of 1848.

**5 P. C. LIMIT ON ALIEN  
LABORERS IN SYDNEY**  
**SPECIAL TO THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR**  
SYDNEY, N. S. W.—There has been discussion by local governing bodies concerning the competition of foreign workers, and particularly Italians, with Australians and British migrants. It is alleged that there have been instances where the aliens on contracts have outnumbered the Australians and British. Italians are arriving in what are considered un-

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## HAGUE CONGRESS TO ADJUST LAWS ON INSOLVENCY

**Litigants of Small Means  
to Be Aided—United  
States Not Invited**

**SPECIAL TO THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR**  
THE HAGUE.—The Palace of Peace here, on Jan. 5, 1928, will be the scene of an important conference. Delegates from 21 European states and from Japan will attend the sixth Hague conference of international municipal law, with sessions lasting three or four weeks.  
It is expected that the general meetings will be presided over by Dr. Bernard C. J. Loder, first Dutch delegate, and member and former president of the Permanent Court of International Justice.

The United States of America has not been invited this year to take part in the proceedings, as it refused an invitation to the last conference held at The Hague in October and November, 1925.  
The agenda for the sixth conference which has been entrusted to the Hague Government has been divided into a restricted program which will be dealt with in January, and an extended program which will form a part of the discussion at a subsequent conference.

It will be the task of the sixth conference to put into final form certain draft international conventions prepared by the fifth conference, on the subject of insolvency and the execution of foreign judicial decisions involving persons residing outside the jurisdiction of the state in which such decisions are given. In view of the likelihood that all the 22 nations attending the conference will not be able to agree on a uniform text, the Netherlands Government will propose the conclusion of bilateral and multilateral treaties apart from the general treaty in this matter.  
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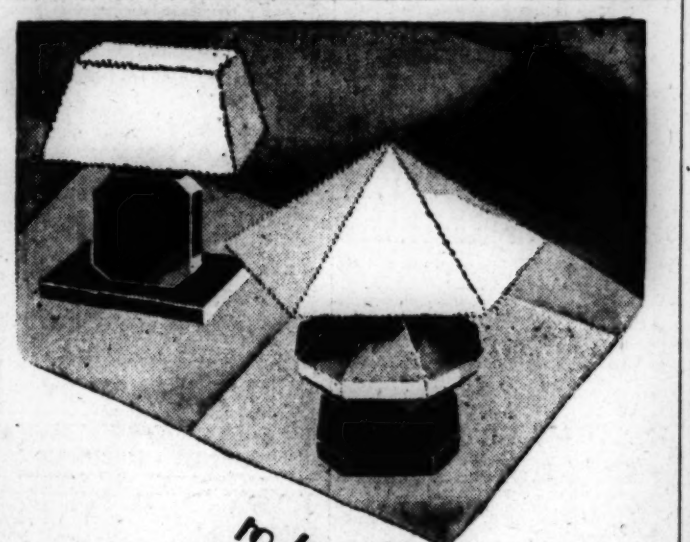
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One effect of the change will be to permit of coal being supplied to the mines at a cheaper rate. This assistance is needed, as owing to the low prices of silver and lead, some mines have had to shut down, and others have faced that possibility. It is the unusual richness of this field that enables it to continue. Work has been carried on there for 40 years and the aggregate receipts from minerals run into hundreds of millions sterling.

## FOREST RESERVE IN JAMAICA

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## The Perfect Wagnerite

A Review by W. H. HADDOX SQUIRE

Letters of Richard Wagner, selected and edited by Wilhelm Altmann and translated from the German by M. M. Bosman. Two volumes. London: Dent, 10s. 6d. net per volume. New York: Dutton, \$10 the set.

NOT long ago, in talking with a composer of international fame, the present writer let fall a remark about the direction of contemporary music. "Direction!" came the rather surprising response. "What direction? Which of us knows where he is going? We are all working in the dark." Tactfully the writer repressed a desire to ask if Schönberg and the Vienna group were included in the "we." For when a composer assures you that he does not know what he is aiming at, it seems unreasonable to disagree with him. It cannot be denied, however, that compared with their great predecessors of the nineteenth century the majority of the composers of today appear curiously lacking in the quality which is usually described loosely by words such as "conviction," "faith," "belief," or even "consciousness." Schönberg, one may repeat, is an outstanding exception and he probably will be regarded by everybody tomorrow as the last of the great German classical line.

The present uncertainty and lack of settled aesthetic belief contrast strangely with what the reader encounters in the two volumes of the "Letters of Richard Wagner." As Dr. Eaglefield Hull says in his preface, here at last we can follow the true Wagner from phase to phase in biographical order. And as the letters, unlike the autobiography, are obviously sincere for the most part, one is able, in spite of surprising

omissions and overenergetic editing, to trace fairly clearly the development of a man who had in him "conviction" enough to supply armies of composers, critics and listeners—as indeed he has done. One discovers that The Perfect Wagnerite was Wagner himself.

It is an astonishing fact that music came without reluctance to one of the world's greatest composers only when impelled by some ethical, philosophical, sociological, dramatic or literary motive—a fact of which no one, of course, was more aware than Wagner. Musical criticism may allege, as it often does, that so long as great music comes to a composer, it scarcely matters how. Yet if the author of the "Ring" had had the intellectual outlook of, say, Schubert, would it have come at all? Today, when Wagner's music is in danger of being understood only too well, even his admirers show little grasp of the ideas that prompted it.

Perhaps the thinker of our time nearest to Wagner is Shaw. His commentary on the "Ring," "The Perfect Wagnerite," published nearly 30 years ago, is still the best exposition of Wagnerian political and sociological wild oats. But even Shaw does not seem fully to have realized the profound and lasting change which began with Wagner's introduction to the works of Schopenhauer. In October, 1854, the composer wrote to Hans von Bülow: "I have found a great treasure in the works of the great philosopher Schopenhauer (deliberately ignored by us here by the professors). . . . He told me that Schopenhauer had even enabled him to arrive at a clear understanding of his own works of art."

That is all, of course, common historical knowledge. What most of the Wagnerian authorities seem to gloss over, or absolutely ignore—Mrs. Leighton Cleather and Basil Crump are exceptions—is that the composer

quickly discovered Schopenhauer's main conception was borrowed from a thinker who lived about 500 B.C.—the Prince of Gotham. This philosopher, while expounding the utter transiency of all material phenomena, resolutely refused to postulate any fundamental cause.

This ancient conception affected Wagner, the colossal egotist, with the force of a revelation, and became the most potent inspiration of his work. Its influence roused Nietzsche—who mistook it for that of Christianity—to write "The Case against Wagner" and "Nietzsche contra Wagner," and with the clue which it provides a new light is thrown on Wagner the man, his life and work; indeed, without it, no one can seize the full meaning of the "Ring" and "Parsifal." We see in the Letters

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Maggie Lane, by Nancy Byrd Turner. New York: Harcourt, Brace &amp; Co., 1927.

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other children and about cats, rabbits and dogs, and verses that are easy to remember because they sing. They don't know that she gets her singing effect by artful devices, by the use of an unaccountable syllable at the end of a line and by repetitions, but the proof of the lyric is in the saying of it, and children quickly begin to say bits of these.

We are tempted to call our favorites by name. "Spring Wind," for instance:

The west wind ruffles up the road and sets the green grass rustling.

It wakes the turtle and the toad, and some folks hear it shouting:

But perhaps the surest magic of all phrasing is in "Snowflakes":

The little first stand windless, all darkly, all steadily.

The cedars and the sentry pines keep watch across the lawn;

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Illustration by Decie Merwin for "Maggie Lane."

## Spain and New England

A Review by LEWIS REX MILLER

Prescott—Unpublished Letters to Gayanga, in the library of the Hispanic Society of America. Edited with notes by Clara Louisa Penny. Printed by order of the trustees. New York: George Ticknor—Letters to Pascual de Gayanga, from originals in the collection of the Hispanic Society of America. Edited by Clara Louisa Penny. Printed by order of the trustees. New York:

nations. We must look on these convulsions as the throes which are to give birth to Liberty. This is all very well for the lookers on; but for those who are to be the victims of these convulsions, it will not be a perfect consolation that their posterity may gain by it.

Ticknor Once in Spain Among those who have written truthfully, realistically and convincingly of places and things which they have seen, never seen, or never been, always occupy a place of honor. How truly he spoke when he wrote, "With one or two exceptions I have never had the good luck to see the places I have written about. I have been passing the greater part of my life in my mind in one country and my body in another."

This was true also of Ticknor in large measure, for the great historian of Spanish literature made only one visit of a few months to Spain. Thus it is that his letters to Gayanga contain little upon lists of books to be purchased and sent to him, of books which he has succeeded in purchasing and which therefore need not be sent, and of books which Gayanga has kindly lent to him. His debt to Don Pascual appears to have been even greater than Prescott's. Ticknor's life, in fact, was largely spent in buying, borrowing and lending books. He it was who, at his own expense, went to Europe to buy books and establish agencies for the newly founded Boston Public Library.

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## More Than Showman

The Unknown Barnum, by Harvey W. Root. New York: Harper &amp; Bros., \$4.

CIRCUMSTANCES make names distinctive. It is difficult to think of Phineas Taylor Barnum as having been named William Henry, but if he had been named William Henry, W. H. Barnum would now no doubt stand as distinctively in the public thought as "P. T." and be as inevitably associated with the circus. Despite books that have already been written about Barnum, including his own, the notion probably widely obtains that he was constantly concerned with circuses. It is not impossible that many combine a casual knowledge that he was the impresario of Jenny Lind and of General Tom Thumb with a vague notion that Jenny Lind and the General were circus attractions, as, indeed, was the case with Jumbo, over whom an editorial in the London Telegraph lamented that "our amiable monster must dwell in a tent, take part in the routine of circus."

Mr. Root is therefore no doubt justified in his title. Even if there had been no "Greatest Show on Earth," Barnum would have been a figure for biography, and the biographer would have no occasion to change his paragraph. "Only a year younger than Abraham Lincoln, he was as typically American in his way and as much given to precedent-breaking; to thousands of people across the water he symbolized America when America was little known and less liked, unquestionably helping largely to sow the seeds of a better understanding, and Grant, returning from a globe-circling tour, declared that Barnum's was the best-known name in the world."

Tried Many Trades At 30 Barnum had not even tentatively "found himself." He had been a storekeeper, edited a weekly paper, kept a boarding house, turned showman and exhibited the "Nurse of Gen. George Washington (the Father of our Country)"; he had traveled with a circus, as was not to happen again for a long time.

"He had no profession and no employment," says Mr. Root, "while his funds were nearly exhausted and he had a family to support. . . . In this perplexing situation his newspaper experience proved valuable, as it had so often done all through his life. The Bowers Amphitheatre was glad to have him write notices and advertisements, paying him \$4 a week for the service. He found an

opportunity to write articles for the Sunday papers, and with what he received for these, with the \$4 from the theatre, he managed to keep himself and family."

Nevertheless he saw opportunity in the chance for somebody to purchase Scudder's American Museum, a failing enterprise, and with his character as his only capital, succeeded in buying it. Where Scudder's had stood was presently "Barnum's American Museum," which in its time was as famous as the "Greatest Show on Earth" afterward came to be.

Citizens of the World It was of course unavoidable—and this the reader even of other biographies will not regret—that the experiences of Barnum as showman should provide Mr. Root with a good deal of his material. One likes to read about Gen. Tom Thumb, Jenny Lind, and Jumbo. They are always interesting tripe. But his purpose has been also to delineate the Barnum who was a mayor, a legislator, a lecturer, a gentleman farmer, a citizen of Bridgeport and of the world, a pioneer exponent of modern advertising. We have the story of Barnum's unfortunate association with the Jerome Clock Company, which swept away his fortune and at the same time proved the respect and friendship in which he was held by a host of his contemporaries. He made another fortune, all this happening before his name was linked with the circus.

"No effort has been made," says the biographer, "to catalogue every activity of the man's life. . . . But rather, by a careful selection of those characteristics and events which were significant and typical, to make clear way, and in what way, P. T. Barnum is entitled to be considered a great American."

As an item of circus history, however, there will be some to query Mr. Root's attribution to Barnum of circus transportation by rail. W. C. Coup, his then partner and road manager of the show, has stated quite definitely that he proposed and carried out this innovation himself and that Barnum was doubtful and protesting.

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the constant collisions between a nihilistic ideal and the egotism natural enough in a man gifted beyond his fellows. Old baffling inconsistencies disappear and with the better understanding comes a kinder feeling for a man who turns out to have been neither a saint nor a black-guard but, like more average humanity, something between the two.

Wagner may have sought refuge in the thinking of an ancient world, but he held very definite opinions about the "new" in music. In a letter to Liszt he wrote: "How can an artist create if not out of the stuff of life, and of what artistically-productive import is life if it does not impel the artist to ever fresh creations expressive of life? What can have become of the fount of all art if the New does not gush forth irresistibly. . . . My children, make new things, new things and again new things! If ye cling to what is old, the devil of unproductivity has you and ye are the most miserable of artists!" These sentences ought to be written in letters of gold on the walls of composition classrooms in every school of music. The busts of the professors should not be spared.

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coupled with a dainty, airy imagination. In large part the poems in "Maggie Lane" were written for children or for those who keep their childhood near. Yet among them, collected from the periodicals in which they first appeared, are poems that have left a pleasant memory in older readers, especially those to whom the word London is an incantation.

Best loved of these is "Going Up to London," the poem that made Miss Turner known. All the yearning of a book-loving, history-loving child is in the verses which tell what she would do if she were going up to London, traveling light in April weather, with a scarlet feather in her cap and a ribbon on her rein, finding London spires and turrets and crooked little streets as she dreamed it, dreamed it in a dream and waked and found it true.

The poem that gives the book its name is of the same kind: Maggie Lane in Oxford Town is a crooked little street. Wonder if a magpie once on light and thievish foot. Running in a zigzag way, mighty as a high wind as on an April day, Hild a chain, a magpie of wax, a penny and a thimble.

The illustrations, which are rough sketches by Decie Merwin, are in keeping with the love of Old England that possesses the poet, and with her rollicking, outdoor mood. There are quaint children in smocks and jerkins, with snub noses and tousled hair, almost always caught in a high wind as on an April day, and attended by a rascal wire-haired terrier whose name is Dan.

It is an easy task to induce small children into the delectable land of poetry if Miss Turner is their guide. She knows they like verses about

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## THE HOME FORUM

## The Gospel of Work

IT WAS in a Chinese studio near the Winter Palace in Peking. I had mentioned "Gleanings" and my host characterized Roland as "an artist with the soul of a worker." The other Chinese, a young novelist, spoke very emphatically, "Today there is one lesson from the West for the East—the gospel of work. This accounts for the wide following of Tolstoy, Ibsen, Rolland and Shaw in China now. These workers have the message that we need!"

That night I read the very significant article by Dr. Hu Shih, "Our Attitude Toward Modern Western Civilization," which expresses so clearly New China's longing for the progressive and adventuresome spirit of the West: "On the side of the East there is quiet acceptance of one's appointed lot, quiet acceptance of poverty, desire to please heaven, non-resistance, and endurance of misery. On the side of the West there is dissatisfaction with poverty, unwillingness to endure misery, determined struggle, continuous improvement of the existing environment. The Easterner seeing a rich man says, 'His ancestors cultivated virtue.' He poor himself, he says, 'My ancestors did not cultivate themselves.' He says, 'fate determined these conditions.' Not so the Westerner. He says, 'The inequalities of wealth and poverty, the misery of circumstance, are all the result of bad institutions, but institutions can be improved.'"

This is illustrated in a peculiar way in modern Russian letters. Tolstoy is the embodiment of his ideal, activity. He worked with tremendous effort to redeem Russia, at last winning for himself a faith for which he labored with all his being. Turgenev has one theme in "Fathers and Children," "Smoke," and "A House of Gentlefolk"—the necessity for the discontented Russian to get to work. The Russian gentleman can never establish the New Russia as long as he lies about resorts, dreamily reads poetry, or discusses with academic zeal the possibility of political reform. Chekhov has this message in

"The Cherry Orchard." Trophimov's speech is the key of the play: "Man-kind marches forward, perfecting its strength. Everything that is untenable for us now will one day be near and clear; but we must work; we must help with all our force those who seek for truth. At present only a few men work in Russia. The vast majority of the educated people that I know seek after nothing, and are as yet incapable of work."

All human achievement is grounded in labor. Work is the father of genius. That very human character, Anthony Trollope, speaks of the author as a workman; and claims that his reputation came from sheer, hard work. From a poor post-office clerk he made for himself "a position among literary men," and an income of five thousand pounds a year, all through "severe toil." "It was my practice," he writes, "to be at my table every morning at five thirty A. M. By beginning at that hour I could complete my (three hours of) literary work before I dressed for breakfast. . . . It was my custom to write with my watch before me, and to require from myself two hundred and fifty words each quarter of an hour."

One of Thomas Edison's favorite dogmas is that we sleep too much and work too little. He gives as his philosophy: "Work. Bringing out the secrets of nature and applying them for the happiness of man. Looking always on the bright side of everything." He argues that it is in his duty to work, and that he has led to his hundreds of discoveries.

Achievement comes only after the drudgery is done. This is Emerson's point, "Work in every hour, paid or unpaid, see only that thou work, and thou canst not escape the reward." Work is the building material of human character. Men grow through the struggling process of conflict with obstacles. When the obstacles grow insurmountably high they may want to quit, but this is not the way to character. Serenity and strength are found only through resistance.

Henrik Ibsen was a supreme worker. His splendid hero, Brand, cries out on his pilgrimage:

"No, you must will with flashing eyes. Your way through all earth's agonies."

"What will you gain? A will that's whole—  
A soaring faith, a single soul."

Who cares to lie idle or cringe before the task, when by determined work he can grow? The worker may be faced with monotony, grow tired, and lose sight of the reward, but he gains nothing by throwing up the job. Surrender is weakness; toil is strength.

"Was the trial sore?  
Temptation sharp? Thank God a second time!  
Why comes temptation but for man to meet  
And master, and make crouch beneath his foot,  
And so be pedestaled to triumph?"

Work is the foundation of civilization. Culture does not blossom as a free, wild flower, but only after eras of painstaking human effort. When men become averse to strenuous work they enter decline. When the Greek grew fonder of his banquet and his baths than his work his day of achievement began to wane. Corruption in imperial government in China was always measured by the number of eunuchs about the court. Civilization cannot tolerate too many queens and drones.

We do not work today like our grandfathers. Their self-sustaining farms were the center of their whole existence. Cloth, lumber, flour and meat were the products of their solid, good workmanship. We have become dependent and luxury loving. Ours is a contest with advertising, salesmanship, and a complex ready-made world. This new and remarkable civilization has come about because the Westerners have been a people who were unafraid to work. The commodities of the present age may fashion a new type of humanity. This may mean the coming of the age of softness. When men want a good livelihood, with provision for the necessary luxuries, and all without too strenuous an effort, there is danger of losing the frontier spirit and the passion for labor.

This was Trophimov's argument in "The Cherry Orchard": "The vast majority of the educated people that I know seek after nothing, and are as yet incapable of work. They call themselves the 'Intelligentsia,' they say 'thou' and 'thee' to the servants, they treat the peasants like animals, learn nothing, read nothing serious, do absolutely nothing, only talk about science, and understand little or nothing about art."

The might have been written by my Chinese friends instead of by a Russian. In fact, it is exactly the sentiment that they held regarding the need of the Chinese literati today. My friend, the novelist, gestured with his left hand: "There is an old Chinese proverb, 'To be entirely at leisure for one day is to be for one day an immortal.' Too many owe a kind of allegiance to this sentiment! The cry in old China is now for a gospel of work! He brought his hand down to the lacquer tea table, and thumped emphatically, "A gospel of work!"

"To each epoch its own task. It is merely sloth and weakness if we cling all our lives to the same one. Learn to change. . . . The factory of humanity has work for all of us. Labour for all peoples of the world, each man taking pride in the work of all the rest, for the travail, the genius of the whole earth is ours also."

## Ferns and Pharisees

(Pharisees—Old Sussex Word for Fairies)

Round the Woodingdean dew-pond go  
—Ferns and pharisees, ferns and pharisees!  
Where the wild white violets grow  
And the hawk-moth spins.  
Follow the violets all the way,  
—Liddle white violets, wild white violets!  
Into the woods where the pharisees play  
And the dark of the wood begins.

Cowslips curtsy and dance in  
—Ferns and pharisees, ferns and pharisees!  
Clover's buxom as sunset-clouds.  
Poppies are none too rare.  
Daisies are thicker than stars by night.

—Therefore I'd follow the liddle  
white violets—  
For how can you pick out your path-  
way aright  
When the signs are all every-  
where?

Come, then, Sussex boys and girls—  
—Ferns and pharisees, ferns and pharisees!  
Where the gipsy wood-smoke curls  
Crisp and blue and sweet.  
If you'd find where the pharisees play  
Follow the trail of the liddle white  
violets.  
Others may cheat you or lead you  
astray  
But these are the prints of their  
feet.

—ALFRED NOYES, in "Dick Turpin's  
Ride and Other Poems."

## Building Yesterday and Today

It will I think be both interesting and useful to enquire . . . why buildings which our forefathers put up mostly adorn a landscape, while our own erections so frequently spoil it.

Apart from the question of beauty in the style of building, which of course is an obvious factor of great influence, there are a few more easily understood reasons for the difference between old and new. If we take for example their position: do not old houses and villages generally seem to nestle in a valley, under a hill, or by the edge of a wood or copse, and both by their placing and style convey the idea of shelter and retreat? Sometimes this character-istic was carried so far, that we find houses placed so as to get little or no view. But they were built for busy people who lived mainly out of doors, and returned to their shelter at night as the rooks come home to roost. Too often now we place a building so as to strike a note of defiance with surrounding nature. The thing stands out hard and prominent in the landscape; shouts at you across the valley; and through not co-operating with the scene, fails to convey anything of that sense of nestling in a fitting nook, or on an appropriate ledge, that sheltering under nature's wing as it were—which makes a building look really at home.

Then, too, does not the old building seem almost to grow out of the ground on which it stands? Built of the local stone or roofed with material common to the district—thatch, stone shingles, or grey slates, perhaps; harmonizing in colour with the rocks and soil; it is as appropriate to the earth on which it rests, as the twig of the local tree to the tree top on which it grows so lightly and yet so securely.

As we pass from county to county, rejoicing in the unspoiled bits of old villages and towns, we cannot but notice how much of the restful quietude is due to the general harmony. We see the grey stone-roofed village of Yorkshire and Derbyshire, so quietly fitting to the country of rocks and stone walls; the green slate of Cumberland and Westmoreland, that shrouds the roofs of the fells; the thatch of Shropshire or Somerset, always cosy and homely looking, whether on the timber-framed building or on the whitewashed cottage; or again, the purple slates of North Wales, and the red roofs of the blue shadows of her towering peaks, and fitly covering in the cottage whose walls are of rough slates of the same slate. The red tile, too, coloured with the iron which tints the soil, more widely distributed than any of the rest; we know it well in Staffordshire, and think of Whitby without its red roofs is to realise at once what beauty it can give to a scene. Each of these roof coverings has a special value of its own; some look well almost anywhere; but we do not always realise how much of roofs we see in a landscape, or to what extent the restful charm of old places springs from their harmony with surroundings and the general prevalence of one material in the district.

Our fathers were not tempted as we are in this. They had to use the local material and to stick to it. There were no railways in their time carrying blue slates to Whitby, or red tiles to North Wales.

The old tiles were a little curled in burning, and had a surface rough enough to afford lodgment for moss and lichen; and so the lines were less hard, and the newness of surface and colour soon mellowed into all sorts of lovely shades.

There is on all hands evidence of a willingness to give labour without stint; to do a job well and a bit more; to linger over it, and see it fit; to do more work here and there and not improve the look. In fact, we read in these old buildings, as in an open book, of a simple workman who was something of an artist, one who could take pleasure in his work. Whenever we again raise up such an army of builders, working at their trades with the pleasure of artists, then will all buildings become as beautiful as of old; then will it be possible for such workmen, co-operating with a true architect or master builder, to raise fine architecture, like our old cathedrals and abbeys.

—RAYMOND UNWIN, in "The Art of Building a Home."



The Ancient Roland Column at Bremen.

IN SEVERAL of the towns of northern Germany may still be seen the figure of a warrior of gigantic proportions standing erect against an embellished stone shaft. It is the Roland column, the primitive symbol of municipal jurisdiction, and the safeguard of civic liberty. Perhaps the best preserved of these quaint, ancient statues is the Roland which stands in the market square opposite the old town hall (Rathaus) in the city of Bremen, the oldest seaport of Germany. This colossal figure in stone is of a man eighteen feet high, bearing in his right hand a sword, and in his left an imperial eagle on a shield. The statue was erected in 1404 on the site of an earlier figure of wood, and, if its size and its incongruity with present-day surroundings did not appear somewhat amusing, it certainly would give an awesome impression of the power of the magistrates.

There seems to be a general idea that these Roland figures began to appear soon after the conversion of the Germans to Christianity, to replace the sacred trees and columns around which the chief men of the town or community used to hold their assemblies. Whether the Roland columns of Germany had any early association with the traditional Roland, the hero of the "Chanson de Roland," is a matter of some quantity. This legend, although authenticated as early as the eleventh century, is supposed to have had a continuous tradition dating from the time of Charlemagne, in 778. In the legend of Roland, a paladin of Charlemagne, the hero recounts having conquered for his king all the countries from Constantinople and Hungary on the east to Scotland on the west, in which case he might have become the national hero of many lands.

Bremen, the capital of the free state of Bremen, and one of the Hanseatic League towns, was founded under grant from Charlemagne in 787. It joined the league in 1276 and was already beginning to be an important seaport. Bremen reached the height of its power in the sixteenth century, after which time it was thrown into the shade by Hamburg, but the old romantic town with its winding streets and lanes, flanked by massive gabled houses, still dates from the medieval days of Hanseatic prosperity. Several quaint stone bridges span the Weser which divides the town, and low, broad-fanned windmills may be seen half-hidden among the trees and foliage; but the old ramparts have long been converted into beautiful promenades, and gardens, with the moats forming a chain of lakes, and the bridges replacing the old gates and named after them. In solemn and striking contrast with present-day customs stands this unique Roland, a picturesque reminder of the crude and stern municipal laws by which urban communities were regulated in the past, and possibly, provoking a smile as one recalls a line from "As You Like It":

"Thou art not for the fashion of these times."

## Benektelse av materielt sansevidnesbyrd

Oversættelse av den engelske artikkel i Kristen Videnskap som finnes på denne side

BETRAKTNINGEN av legem-lykt og disharmoni i det menneskelige liv er en av de fremtredende villfarelser som holder mennesket i trældom. Vi kan ikke på samme tid opta i vår bevissthet to motsatte antagelser som virkelige; og da alene det Andelige har virkelighet, må man for å skille sig ved villfarelse og bringe harmoni og framskritt til sin erfaring, grunne på og anerkjenne som virkelige kun Andelige og evige ting.

Det er falsk materiell sans som bringer oss til å lide, eller, med andre ord, det er alene dødelig antagelse som lider. Ved nærmere undersøkelse vil man finne at man sjelden, om nogensinne, lider meget under forhåndsnevnte omstendigheter eller krav, men under frykt for at disse vil arte sig således at de vil forårsake ulykke i fremtiden. Den lidelse mennesket utsettes for av frykt for omstendigheter som frykt fremkaller ved at man optar som virkelige de materielle sansers vidnesbyrd i stedet for å benekte dem og holde fast ved og betrakte Andelige virkeligheter.

På side 261 i Kristen Videnskaps lærebok, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures" (Videnskap og Helse med nøkkel til Skriften) sier Mrs. Eddy: "Hold tanken ufravendt rettet mot det vedvarende, det gode og det sanne, og du vil bringe disse inn i din erfaring i samme grad som de optar dine tanker." Denne formaning er et bestemt bud om å se bort fra materielt sansevidnesbyrd og til å anerkjenne og tenke på det som er virkelig. Det samstemmer med hvad Bibelen sier: "Den som har et grundfestet sind, for ham bevarer du fred, ja fred, thi på dig forlader han sig." Etterom man gransker sin tenkning i lys av denne retning og resonnerer på, begynder man å se at de fleste kamper er blitt forlenget, og problemene er forblitt uløst derved at det ikke er lykkedes å holde øiet rent for Sannheten.

Man kan undertiden ha et meget klart syn for sannheten angående en bestemt situasjon som man arbeider mentalt på, men det er en urokkelig fastholden av dette klar syn som tilintetgjør i bevissthetsens troen på en makt der strider mot Gud, og berikter feltet angående. Med andre ord, det er den som sidder i den Høleste skjel, —den som vedholdende er sig bevisst Guds alhet, —og ikke den som kun liggendevis kommer der, til hen som det fredens løfte er gitt at han skal bo i "den Allmættiges skyer."

Der er ingen beretning om at Israels barn på sin reise til det forjettede land virkelig led av mangel på nogen nødvendighetsgjensstand, såsom mat og drikke, og i nødens stund var alltid beskyttelse for hånden. All deres lidelse var forårsaket ved at de optok de materielle sansers falske vidnesbyrd og fryktet for hvad der vilde komme til å hende dem. Da de nærmet sig det

## Denying Material Sense Testimony

WRITTEN FOR THE CHRISTIAN SCIENCE MONITOR

CONTEMPLATION of materiality and inharmonious instead of meditation upon spiritual reality is one of the outstanding errors holding mankind in bondage. We cannot accept into our consciousness as real two opposing beliefs at the same time; and since the spiritual alone has reality, in order to part with error and bring out harmony and progress in one's experience, one must admit as real and meditate upon spiritual, eternal things.

It is a false material sense that causes us to suffer; or, in other words, it is mortal belief alone that suffers. Upon examination it will be found that one scarcely, if ever, suffers much from a present circumstance or exigency, but from his fear that such may operate to affect him disastrously in the future. The suffering mankind endures from fear of conditions which are never experienced is appalling. Such fear is brought about through accepting as real the evidence of the material senses, instead of denying it and holding to and meditating upon spiritual realities.

On page 261 of the Christian Science textbook, "Science and Health with Key to the Scriptures," Mrs. Eddy says, "Hold thought steadfastly to the enduring, the good, and the true, and you will bring these into your experience proportionably to their occupancy of your thoughts." This admonition is a positive command to look away from material sense testimony and to recognize and think upon that which is real. It is equivalent to the Scriptural passage, "Thou wilt keep him in perfect peace, whose mind is stayed on thee." As one examines his thinking in the light of this line of reasoning, he begins to see that most of his struggles have been prolonged and his problems have remained unsolved through failure to keep his eye single to Truth.

One may at times have a very clear realization of the truth regarding a certain situation upon which he is working mentally, but it is the maintaining of this realization steadfastly that destroys the belief in a power opposed to God in his consciousness, and corrects the falsity. In other words, it is "he that dwelleth in the secret place," —he that steadfastly realizes God's allness, —and not the one who comes there only occasionally, to whom the peaceful promise of abiding "under the shadow of the Almighty" is given.

In the journeyings of the children of Israel to the promised land it is not recorded that they really suffered for lack of any necessary thing, as food, drink, and protection were supplied whenever needed. All their suffering was the result of accepting the false evidence of the material senses and fearing what might happen to them. As they approached the Red Sea, they could see nothing but pursuing Egyptians; consequently, their fear became greatly magnified. Moses, their spiritually-minded leader, did not accept the material situation before his eyes, but denied it and its claim to power. He looked away from matter to Spirit; and his spiritual vision saved the Israelites.

In "Unity of Good" (p. 21) Mrs. Eddy says, "Individual consciousness in man is inseparable from good. In the degree one realizes that all true consciousness is inseparable from God or good, and therefore as one keeps his thought in conscious unity with good, does one see the annihilation of error. Just so long as one's thought is stayed upon Truth, just so long as one refuses any argument presented to thought which denies God's allness, he will be at peace. It is only as one allows himself to look at and contemplate the so-called false material sense evidence that he becomes confused and unhappy."

Let us review any discordant situation through which we have seemed to pass, and determine whether most of our suffering has not been the result of our fear of what might happen in the future, rather than of an actual experience of the present. If so, little wonder we have suffered; for we have been breaking the First Commandment and serving unreal gods. Instead of pressing joyously forward, thanking God for His present love and protection, and trusting the future to His all-wise government. Instead of wasting precious hours contemplating and fearing future evil, let us assure ourselves that these seeming conditions do not actually exist in the universe which is filled with God, good.

In I Peter we read, "Be sober, be vigilant; because your adversary the devil, as a roaring lion, walketh about, seeking whom he may devour." Mrs. Eddy defines devil in part as "evil; a sin; and, a belief in sin, sickness, and death" (Science and Health, p. 534). These false beliefs claim to walk about "as a roaring lion;" they even claim to be ever present. In reality they have no entity whatever, since God is infinite good. The expression of divine Love is constant; and it is our privilege to recognize and utilize this eternal truth.

(In another column will be found a translation of this article into Norwegian.)

## Waterfall

Abruptly  
waters roll,  
and  
continue harp strings  
as they play  
in descending arpeggii,  
always  
leaping and falling,  
modulating  
into the original,  
the tonic chord.  
The basic theme  
is water—water—  
leaping water,  
dripping water,  
laughing water,  
sighing water,  
descending in drops,  
flying in spray,  
singing a single theme  
with multiple variations.

—JOACHIM AVRON, in "Dear Earth."

Invisible harp strings  
as they play  
in descending arpeggii,  
always  
leaping and falling,  
modulating  
into the original,  
the tonic chord.  
The basic theme  
is water—water—  
leaping water,  
dripping water,  
laughing water,  
sighing water,  
descending in drops,  
flying in spray,  
singing a single theme  
with multiple variations.

## Summer in South Africa

Summer has settled in the fertile southwest corner of Sunland where is cradled the beautiful Breede River. The verd blooms of early spring with sprightly dance have ended their brief reveals. Their successors, less delicate in tint and texture but more showy, have scattered themselves in riotous abandon over hillside and valley. The most aggressive and delightfully so are the starlike mysebrinthum that are spread out like the carpets that Hassan loved, in complex color patterns.

All the trees have dressed themselves in green of various shades. The authentic note of summer is felt, and its essence is poured out in a flood of joy. In early morning and gathering twilight birds proclaim the season, and with their orchestra is mingled the long-drawn-out violin note of bees on the wing and the double-bass boom of the bumblebee.

In the hot, shimmering noontide air, valley and hill, kioof and krantz sing of summer and sunshine. The ancient ruse of the Breede River, that meanders through a vine-girt countryside, is borne along over the boulders by a gentle breeze like vespers from some sequestered cloister. At departing day the sun seems to linger in the west as if looting on a couch, languorous after the day's toil. In the mellow radiance of evening, with its fugitive hues of amethyst, sapphire and topaz, the Langeberg, so velvety blue, are canopied against the sky like half-ruined ramparts of some once enchanted castle.

The songs of day are done. "Hymning night" enfolds the landscape. The stars shine forth in pomp. A thumb-nail moon hangs low over a mountain peak like the silver tiara on the head of a proud beauty. Silence, that was before the winds were made and earth had received her frame, holds the world in thrall and lulls the heart as a mother's song soothes the restless child.

Summer has come, bestowing lavishly and impartially treasures of peace and beauty—priceless gifts to a grateful heart.

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## THREE SCHEDULES OUT AT ANNAPOLIS

### Dates Are Announced

The contests will take place at Annapolis except the fencing match with Princeton University at Princeton, the lacrosse game with the University of Maryland, to be played at College Park and the lacrosse game at West Point. Extreme interest will be taken in the lacrosse game with the United States Military Academy, as it will be

the last match in that sport between the service schools, unless an agreement on eligibility rules is reached. Annapolis has won all four of the

Dartmouth College, Georgia School of Technology and Colgate University play lacrosse against the Navy for the first time. The schedules are as follows:

**FENCING**

Feb. 4—Syracuse University; 11—New York University; 18—Princeton University at Princeton; 25—Massachusetts Institute of Technology.

March 3—Open; 10—Dartmouth College; 17—Hamilton; 22—Open; 29—Open.  
Intercollegiate finals, date and place, to be selected.

**LACROSSE**

March 31—New York University.  
April 7—Dartmouth College; 14—Georgia School of Technology; 21—Lehigh University; 28—Colgate University.  
May 5—University of Maryland at College Park; 12—Johns Hopkins University; 19—Randolph Macon.

June 2—United States Military Academy at West Point.

TENNIS

April 7—Columbia University; 11—New York University; 14—Harvard University; 21—Georgetown; 25—Duke University; 28—Swarthmore.

May 2—Lafayette; 5—Colgate University; 9—University of Maryland; 12—University of Pittsburgh; 19—Bardmore

**GAME ORDERED REPLAYED**  
**BY THE ASSOCIATED PRESS**

The New York Giants-New Bedford American Soccer League game played Dec. 18 in New York has been declared "no contest," Dave Scott, secretary of the league, announced here today. The decision was based, Secretary Scott said, on Referee T. Dempsey having allowed player Schwarzwald of the Giants to resume play after having been banished.

**KANSAS CITY BUYS RIGNEY**  
KANSAS CITY, Dec. 31 (AP)—Purchase of Elmer E. Rigney, shortstop with the Boston and Washington Americans last season was announced today by the Kansas City American Association Club. Rigney recently was sold by the Senators to Birmingham, but announced he

**COLLEGE BASKETBALL RESULTS**  
Dartmouth 34, Buffalo 31.  
Springfield 36, Crescent A. C. 28.  
Middlebury 29, Brooklyn P. I. 22.

## es Change Hands

Yale won titles in indoor and outdoor pony polo, water polo and swimming besides sharing the wrestling and football honors. Harvard strengthened its indoor athletic reputation by victories for the second successive year in hockey and the national indoor track and field championships. Dartmouth pushed to the fore by winning its first intercollegiate basketball title and outturning Pennsylvania's

gymnasts for the league title. Pennsylvania State College laid undisputed claim to the most spectacular repeating champions when William J. Cox '29 won his second successive Intercollegiate A. A. A. cross-country title ahead of a squad of Nittany Lion harriers that duplicated their 1926 grasp on team honors for the race. Princeton gathered laurels in golf, soccer and tennis.

The list of 1927 champions, compared with those of the previous year, follows:

	1927
Syracuse.....	Dartmouth (League)
.....	Penn State
.....	West Point
.....	Dartmouth (League)
.....	Harvard
.....	Yale
.....	Yale (I. S. A.)
.....	Harvard
.....	Yale

.....Yale-Lehigh  
.....Harvard  
.....J. F. W. Whitbeck, Harvard  
.....T. A. Eggmann-J. S. Garretson,  
.....Cornell  
.....1927  
.....Pennsylvania (Quad League)  
.....Penn State  
.....W. J. Cox, Penn State  
.....Pittsburgh-Yale  
.....Princeton  
.....Watts Gunn, Georgia Tech.  
.....Johns Hopkins

..... Yale  
..... Columbia (I. R. A.)  
..... Norwich  
..... Princeton (League)  
..... W. L. Allison, Tex.  
ow, Calif. J. W. Van Ryn and K. B. Appel,  
..... Princeton  
..... Stanford

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**CATTLE PRICE DECLINES**  
CHICAGO, Dec. 31.—Decline of \$1 to \$1.40 per hundred pounds in cattle prices the last week has been due to unusually low quality of steer offerings and the fact the demand was not strong.



## Lincoln Park Grooms the Boston Common Squirrel

WHAT are all those loud, nervous clackety-clackety sounds? asked Roger P. Scroggins, the Boston Common Traveling Squirrel as their train sped along after a night and part of a day out of Boston.

"That noise," said the Airedale, "is the noise we make as we come into a big city. And I guess we're almost in Chicago." He stood up, stretched and yawned to take out the travel ticks.

Sure enough, in a few minutes, the train stopped, the door was opened and there was a station, a rather gray, smoky one but so much like Boston that Mr. Scroggins didn't think it strange.

Two men lifted out the crate, put it on a truck and the truck whizzed away swiftly, but not so swiftly that Mr. Scroggins didn't see a pigeon and a sparrow dart from the roof of the car which had carried them to Chicago. "Flourish and Flib too!" murmured Scroggins. "Isn't it just like dear old Boston!"

The crate was lifted from the truck into a room filled with other big crates and boxes. In a few minutes the Airedale began to bark softly. Between barks he said: "Well, good-by, Mr. Scroggins. Here comes my friend for me!"

Mr. Scroggins said good-by and told the Airedale to be sure and look him up the next time he was in Boston.

When the Airedale was out of sight, Florrie and Flib rushed at Mr. Scroggins. "Well, here we are!" they said.

"I'm glad you are," said Mr. Scroggins.

They each asked one another where Lincoln Park was, for it was through an invitation from the squirrels of Lincoln Park that Mr. Scroggins started to Chicago. And now here he was. And naturally where was Lincoln Park?

"I'll find it," said Flib.

"How?" said Mr. Scroggins.

"Well, here," said Florrie. "I'll go with you," said Flib.

So Mr. Scroggins sat down on a pile of sacks, opened his bag, took out some food and had a very nice breakfast. In about two hours, Flib and Florrie came back and said they had found it and Chicago was very big and had lots of big men and a lot of other things.

The three friends set out together. "Where do all the people come from?"



At Last They Saw Lincoln Park Ahead.

## WHO WILL BE CHOSEN IN 1928 PRESIDENT OF UNITED STATES?

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rasped in the midst of a citation of instances of lack of co-operation in his work, speaking before 4000 departmental officials. Three brooms were produced from under a table.

"There," Budget Director Dawes pounded the floor with the handle of one of the brooms, "is your broom that costs nearly as much as the brooms that do not meet these specifications, but sweep just as well. The navy bought 18,000 of its specification brooms when it could have had 350,000 army brooms for nothing."

That, and his object lesson to one navy department head who refused to co-operate until Dawes produced a blank order signed by President Harding and asked if he should fill in the object's name, helped consolidate the budgeting of the Government. It saved the United States \$250,000,000.

How else could he have startled the country into learning something about its senators and their ways? He spoke on one subject in his inauguration in the senate chamber. He had the right to talk at that time in the place where four years ago he would be compelled to hold his tongue, except in parliamentary decisions. He believed that Rule 22 of the code governing the Senate should be amended so that there could be more drastic closure applied to filibustering debate. No sooner had the Senate assembled in special session, than he was lambasted by various members who were opposed to his plan. Twice since his speech—the second and third times since its insertion in the rules—has closure been invoked in the Senate. There has been no small amount of support in the Senate's own actions of his idea.

**His Career in Brief Sketch**

If not the greatest living American, Charles Dawes certainly is one of the most interesting. The terse chronology of his life's highlights is illuminating. Here it is:

1865—Born at Marietta, O., Aug. 27.

1884—Graduated from Marietta College, Marietta, O., as a civil engineer.

1886—Admitted to the bar after studying law at Cincinnati Law School.

1887—Moved to Lincoln, Neb., beginning practice of law, counselor for farmers and later public utility organizer.

1889—Married Caro D. Blymyer of Cincinnati.

1896—First entry into politics, national campaign in one jump, managing William B. McKinley's campaign in Illinois for Mark Hanna, national chairman.

1897—Appointed Comptroller of the Currency by President McKinley.

1902—Founded Central Trust Company of Illinois.

1917—Declared himself in on the World War; appointed Lieutenant-Colonel of Seventeenth Railroad Engineers, transferred in France to Service of Supplies by General Pershing as purchasing agent.

1921—Appointed Director of the Bureau of the Budget; served one year, or until it was organized and functioning.

1923—Chosen head of committee of experts of reparations commission. Dawes plan of German reparations to allied countries framed and put into effect by him.

1924—Nominated Vice-President by Republican National Convention and elected.

**Filling in the Portrait**

These highlights are interesting, but they do not tell the story of

though he was pitchforked out of politics a few years later, he has not forgotten the necessity of having friends. Dawes has won friendships, even since his election, to the Vice-Presidency, which are of high potential political value.

McKinley made him Comptroller of the Currency. His characteristic method became patently known then. Drastic rulings came from his department. One provided for second assessment levies upon stockholders of insolvent banks. He collected more than \$100,000,000 from banks which had failed in the panic of 1903. His national bank examiners were prohibited from taking private employment in banks. He ran afoul of government red tape, spent four years slashing right and left—and has been at it since.

The closing days of the last session of Congress provided one of many instances of how he gains friends, slashes red tape, and goes after what he believes is right. The Senate was tied into a double bow knot of filibustering. There were a dozen senators wanting favors and insisting that they would permit the passage of nothing else so long as their own measures were held back.

**Important Matters Blocked**

The McNary-Haugen bill, desired by the western farm senators, already passed by the House, was at stake. So was the McFadden national banking amendment act, which was wanted by the financial East. Boulder Dam, the efforts of Senator Reed in Missouri to have his campaign investigating committee continued, and half a dozen other issues were tied into what appeared a hopeless mess.

To Dawes, who had startled the Nation by hanging into this stalled Senate and demanding a reform of its rules to prevent filibustering, the situation was a matter of life and death. He said that the situation put his contention. But Dawes took little profit from it. Instead, he called into his chambers advocates of the McNary-Haugen and McFadden bills, the industrial, financial East and the agronomist West, two groups having little in common. The East was opposed to the McNary-Haugen bill or cared little one way or another about it. The West cared little about the McFadden bill, or else was actively opposed to it.

"I have asked you to come here," the Vice-President said when the senators had assembled in his chamber just off the Senate floor, "to see if you cannot agree to bringing these two measures to a vote. I am not asking—"

At this moment one of the members of the Senate consistently ridden on a hobby, a bill which had failed of passage and had been disposed of some weeks previously, started what had all the earmarks of being a long-winded oration.

"I quit down," Dawes snapped. "There you are," he said to the Senate, but there is in my office. Gentlemen, we will proceed."

They did proceed. They agreed, those diametrically opposed senatorial groups, to allow the two bills

to come to vote. Both were passed by the Senate. The President vetoed the McNary-Haugen bill; signed the McFadden bill. Dawes won friends in the industrial East and ardent support in the agricultural West.

**Helpful Use of Wealth**

The memorial he erected to the memory of his son was characteristic of Charles Dawes. This was a hotel, built in the congested west side of Chicago, the Rufus F. Dawes Hotel, which 500 men can be cared for nightly for nominal sum. A similar hotel was built in Boston. In memory of his mother, General Dawes later built the Mary Gates Dawes home at 317 Throop Street, Chicago, an entirely different institution. Here working men of no national home in Chicago have comfortable, clean, homelike quarters, near their work, at small cost.

General and Mrs. Dawes have given much to charity. What those gifts have been and are today they regard as their own affair. There is no newspaper publicity attached to their gifts. That again is characteristic of General Dawes and Mrs. Dawes, too. He is called a publicity seeker, yet he actually shrinks from any person's notice.

What General Dawes' opinions may be on national or international subjects he does not state. What does he think of prohibition today? He does not reply to that question—it would be foolish for him to do so as Vice-President. What ever his views might prove embarrassing to the President. He is personally dry, no liquor has ever been served in his home. I campaigned with him in 1924 and have observed him closely since in Washington and in Chicago. Although often offered "something to drink," he has not violated the prohibition laws. His own action influenced the members of his special train party in 1924, and there were no violations there.

**Devoted to Books and Music**

One of his really sincere regrets upon election to the Vice-Presidency was that he would have less time for his library. President and Mrs. Coolidge, in the last two years, have accepted few social invitations during the season in Washington. That made possible almost an impressive Vice-President and Mrs. Dawes who the President had declined. Consequently they had few evenings at home, although they enforced one rule that had been adamant since marriage—a no social engagement on Sunday. General Dawes was raised as a Presbyterian. Mrs. Dawes is a Congregationalist.

Much has been written of General Dawes as a musician. Much of it is exaggerated, or untrue. He is a pianist of average ability, but untrained. He taught himself to play the piano and has composed several things for the piano, among them a bit he titled "Melody." He gave it to a Chicago publisher long before the President was elected. It was published. For several years it has arranged it for violin—an instrument the Vice-President never has played—and added it to his concert repertoire.

## New of FREEMASONRY

By ROBERT I. CLEGG, 33°  
Editor-in-Chief, The Masonic History Company

CHRISTMAS observance is just about pressing for attention by the great Masonic brotherhood of the Order of the Temple, the officers and members of the various commanderies and the sojourning knights residing near them.

At this season the example of the Master is brought even more forcibly and plainly before the brethren and they are urged to do something of consequence, speak some word of encouragement to friend or frater, perform an act of kindness to the distressed, do good as he goes, and to the Soldier of the Cross, and to further cement our goodly fellowship.

As is usual on such occasions a formal toast and a suitable reply have been prepared by Past Grand Commander Nelson Williams of Hamilton, O., committee on Christmas observance, and the invitation extended to all Sir Knights in the several jurisdictions of Templary to join in the expressed sentiments on Christmas Day at some convenient hour, preferably at noon, eastern standard time, equivalent to 5 p. m. Greenwich.

The sentiment addressed to Grand Master George W. Valley, Denver, Colo., includes these words:

It may encourage you to know that Templary is marching onward with the Cross upon its banners, and its feet keeping step with the music of the hour; and while its volunteers may not have been as numerous during the past year as in former years, you may be assured that the high morale has been maintained, and the army is moving forward on the broadest and most improved highway of human endeavor.

We salute you and greet you as the present head of this Great Order of Christian Knighthood, and as the merry Christmas bringer the old sweet story of the nativity, our Saviour, may we, his followers, who delight to serve and honor you, have an abiding place in your memory. May God's choicest blessings be showered upon you and those near and dear to you, and may those in authority with you be the continual recipients of His favors.

To which the Grand Master responds:

With heartfelt thanks and due appreciation of your gracious solicitude, with gratitude to God for all His renewed blessings and with a sublime trust in our blessed Redeemer, the Great Captain of our salvation, we, with you and the Hosts of our Christian Knights, on this festival of birth, will join in that most wonderful of his pronouncements: "Peace on earth and good will to men."

So, while those Yuletide bells peal again the old, old story, may we all consecrate ourselves anew to the cause of the destitute and the helpless, that it may be truly and proudly said of our order "By its works ye know it."

Expression of these sentiments is now nothing new among the fraters for a meeting on Christmas Day. Some 40 years ago Sir Knight Stephen Berry of Maine conceived the idea of commemorating Christmas among Knights Templary by the in-

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### Germany and Reparations

THE report of Mr. S. Parker Gilbert, the Agent-General for Reparation Payments, concerning the operation of the Dawes Plan in its third year is full of interest and of suggestion to those who see in the thorough rehabilitation of Germany the greatest step toward the reconstruction of European prosperity. He shows the Dawes Plan operating successfully. Three of the annual payments have been made, and the fourth, due in October, 1928, will unquestionably be. The problem of the transference of the funds to the various countries involved, which international financiers thought would be so perplexing, has thus far been successfully solved.

As collateral results of the operation of the Dawes system, German currency has been thoroughly stabilized; the commerce and industry of the country have been stimulated, and unemployment has been enormously reduced. In fact, if one remembers that before the war something more than a million German citizens were steadily engaged in the unproductive activities of the army and navy, and that today virtually none are so occupied, it becomes apparent that the actual unemployment is less than ever in the history of the country. Moreover, as any visitor to Germany can determine by the most casual observation, the standard of living is steadily rising.

But in addition to chronicling the advantageous results of the plan as thus far put into effect, the Agent-General offers certain recommendations for its future direction which are of the utmost importance. Like the leaders of German finance, he is somewhat disquieted at the extent to which states and municipalities of the Reich have been incurring foreign debts. Probably this is due to some extent to the new sense of confidence which improved conditions have produced in the German mentality. But inevitably the proportions of this large and growing form of foreign obligation are going to raise a question as to whether payments on account of reparation, or payments on account of interest on these private loans shall be given precedence. Mr. Gilbert emphatically insists that reparations have the prior right. In this view he will encounter the very vigorous antagonism of powerful political and financial forces in Germany. There will be, of course, fully a year during which the discussion will rage. While it will be determined, doubtless the proper solution will be reached.

More important, perhaps, is the recommendation of the Agent-General that a specific limit be now placed upon the amount which Germany is to pay under the Dawes Plan. It will be remembered that the plan itself does not fix any such limit, and the German people have complained bitterly that they are in a position of paying heavily every year toward a debt, the full proportions of which are unknown to them. They can see, as matters now stand, no end to the measure of financial servitude thus imposed. The recommendation of the Agent-General, therefore, that a sum should be fixed, or a limit put upon the period during which the Dawes payments should be enacted, does seem reasonable if not indeed unanswerable. That it will be answered, though perhaps not convincingly, by France, is already apparent, but the issue is one not to be determined by the prejudices or the apprehensions of a single nation.

Incidentally it may be noted that the success of Germany in thus meeting the Dawes payments, equally with the rapidity of its recovery in industry and finance, must have been largely aided by the freedom of the Germans from charges for military or naval forces. And yet this freedom was imposed upon them from without, and is complained of by them as a limitation upon their rights and liberties. The human mind sometimes operates curiously in its conception of what constitutes true freedom.

### A Viking Exploit of the Air

RUNNING true to form, their ancestors having from time immemorial been identified with exploits of the seas, a number of American-Scandinavians interested in aviation are about to launch upon an enterprise in the air which undoubtedly will disclose the identical courage which characterized their forbears when on adventure bent. In the present instance the purpose is to build up American-Scandinavian unity through a series of visits that will be made in a twin-motored, amphibian, all metal monoplane, the American Viking. In charge of Ensign Storm Archer, the American Viking will have for its navigator Ensign George O. Gloerhoff, while the co-pilot will be Theophilus Wessen, for eight years the Swedish Consul in various parts of the United States.

While one of the main purposes of the American Viking is, by flying from place to place, to interest those of American-Scandinavian descent in aviation as well as become better acquainted with the peoples whom it visits, it would not be in line with the viking ideals to let such an opportunity be confined to the American continent only. In fact, like those early Scandinavians who sought far-away and strange lands in their frail and open crafts, these modern vikings of the air are to go far afield in their mission of spreading the word of good will. The itinerary as announced presents a program that includes a take-off from New York to Rio de Janeiro, and from there a hop to Cape Town, South Africa. One of the longest flights will be from Cape Town to Bombay. Constantinople and Rome will be visited before the American Viking reaches Scandinavia on its return voyage.

The members of the American Viking Aeronautical Association are looking ahead with interest to the reception that will be accorded the flying craft when, so to speak, it comes among its own. In Scandinavia there has been a big advance in aviation, and here again the American-Scandinavian entente will have an opportunity to strengthen the bonds that bind the people of the Old World and the New.

Nothing sensational will be attempted by the American Viking, according to Ensign

Archer. If possible, data will be obtained that will prove of service to future transoceanic passenger lines. It is said also that the American Viking will be the last word in the advance of aviation. Perhaps the most interesting innovation is a sealed automatic signaling device that is operated by an eight-day clock mechanism, that will send out periodic signals indicating the exact location of the plane.

Nothing that civilization has brought in its wake appears to be vested with more constructive possibilities, as between nation and nation, than the advent of the airplane with its potential mission as a messenger of good will. Again and again is this being demonstrated in America and abroad. Like Lindbergh on his flight to Mexico and perhaps farther to the south, so the men who are to embark on the American Viking will be able to bring the world closer and correct misunderstandings since the people themselves will be witness to the word of cheer that the aviators bring with them. The opportunities thus presented in many ways outweigh diplomatic carryings on, since the enthusiasm of the reception of a successful flight pilot comes from the hearts of the multitude assembled for the greeting, and needs no records and formal documents to make the remembrance a lasting one.

### Not an Exception, but a Symbol

THE story of what a woman's club can mean to a village is being told over and over again in hundreds of small communities throughout the United States. Therefore the Woman's Club of Lake Placid, N. Y., is not a rare exception but rather is a symbol of what many women's organizations are doing.

In addition to a \$5000 scholarship fund the club is contributing to a students' loan fund, and it has provided a room where the Girl Reserves may meet and have their entertainments. Last year the club members co-operated with the winter sports committee and prepared a float for the carnival which won first prize. They observed Better Homes Week. They have helped to persuade the village board to place two drinking fountains on the streets and they expect to increase the number by next spring. During the summer they have sponsored the visits of "fresh air children."

The attractive little building which houses the Woman's Club has been refurbished recently, and it serves as a community rallying place where many worth-while movements are initiated and where pleasant entertainment is provided for the residents of Lake Placid.

Recreation, education and community service are becoming as important a part of the program of the Woman's Club as the self-cultural aims which were largely responsible for its coming into being, and in consequence many individuals not directly connected with the club movement are profiting by its work.

### The Tax Problem in Congress

ACTION by a decisive majority in the House of Representatives in Washington by which it was decided to reduce federal revenues from income and excise taxes by \$64,000,000 in excess of the amount recommended by President Coolidge and Secretary Mellon of the Treasury, places upon the Senate what many regard as the duty of insisting upon adherence to a sound and defensible economic program. It had been proposed that a reduction in revenues of \$225,000,000 might safely be made at this time, due consideration being given to the demands upon the Treasury for funds to be expended in carrying out the flood control plans and for the naval building program recommended by the Bureau of the Budget.

It is a fact, as all will admit, that this figure was determined upon by those whose desire it is to reduce the tax burden to the lowest possible minimum. And yet it did not seem difficult for the House, by a vote of 366 to 24, to adopt its own theoretical program providing for an additional cut of \$64,000,000. There may, of course, be a popular appeal in the proposal to eliminate the tax on automobiles, despite the fact that this is generally admitted to be largely a luxury tax, and one not particularly burdensome upon those who pay it. But it is hardly probable that there will be any disposition to commend the movement to reduce still further the tax burden of the smaller corporations. Special concessions have already been made to these, in addition to the lowering of the general bracket from 13½ per cent to 11½ per cent.

It is announced that the President is firm in the conviction that the House has carried tax reduction beyond the limits of prudence. It is his hope that the Senate will insist upon keeping the bill in practically its original form. The economic condition most to be desired is, of course, one in which the burden upon industry can be reduced far below that now possible. But in the meantime there are obligations which the Government and the people must meet. These are cared for much easier when a safe working surplus is maintained than when the Treasury must deal with perplexing deficits. With this fact realized, there will be a willingness to support the Senate in an effort to revise the measure passed by the House. In a matter of such vital importance to all concerned, any attempt to appeal for popular support of an unsound economic program should fail.

### Put Politics Aside

WITH the prospects that President Coolidge will have another appointment to make to the Interstate Commerce Commission shortly, aside from the reappointment of J. J. Eech, the claims for "representation" by various groups and sections are again coming to the fore. It is only within recent years that the demands have been so vociferous for the appointment of individuals whose residence or past business relations would give to them a special interest in some particular locality, industry or social group, and it is a tendency which economists deplore.

The only restriction placed upon appointments to the commission, in the act establishing it, is that they be of alternating political parties, in order that the balance of power in the commission shall be a majority of only one, and that that balance shall be subject to frequent change.

It does not follow, however, either in theory or in practice, that the commission divides on important questions along political lines, for the members of that body are individuals whose decisions are unquestionably made with a view to their economic justification rather than because of the political effects of the vote.

By reason of the broad scope of duties of the Commerce Commission, a member is, or should be, qualified by some type of service previous to appointment. Even with a background of knowledge of transportation affairs, it is not a simple matter for a new appointee to pick up the details of a task of so varied a nature as is this one, ranging from hearings into freight rates to the merits of automatic train control versus block signals, and from whether Pullman porters should receive tips to the valuation of billion-dollar corporations.

Because of the scope and importance of the duties involved, sectional or industrial ambitions to obtain "representation" might properly be relegated to the background, and the broader problem of a prospective appointee's qualifications for the work of the commission be permitted to be the sole question at issue. The railroads have been critical of members of the commission recently who have disagreed with the rail viewpoint in matters of valuation and freight rates, and are anxious that appointees be more friendly to their interests. But it is by no means certain that such a step would work to the ultimate welfare of the rail lines, for if a commission was "packed" in favor of the carriers, there would result a loss of confidence on the part of the public which would militate seriously against its effectiveness. In consequence, the railroads might readily be worse off in the long run than with a body now inclined to be slightly opposed to the railroad viewpoint.

### Football Makes a Gain

AS FAR as the playing of football is concerned, both from the viewpoint of the player and the spectator, the 1927 season proved very satisfactory. While the changes made in the rules did not affect the character of play as much as many expected, the general tendency was for the better. As is apt to be the case where rules are altered, some conflicting conditions developed; but they were of a minor character and with few exceptions did not work any hardships. What is needed now is a further clarifying of the rules. Fundamentally, the game is sound.

That there has been less overemphasis apparent this year than last will, we believe, be generally admitted, and it has been that phase of the game which has, in the past, caused most of the cry against it. Football is naturally a game which has so much of the spectacular connected with it that it will always attract more attention from the general public than other sports; but this year has seemed to show that it can be kept within reasonable bounds.

There have been a number of instances this season where the heads of some of the colleges have shown enough interest in the game to attend practice sessions and mix with the players and the coaches. This has undoubtedly worked for the good of the game as well as the good of the college. In the past those in charge of the educational side of the big American colleges have seemed to hold aloof from the game, with those in charge of the sport seldom getting in touch with the college authorities. Should this increase of interest shown by the college officials continue, a large part of the objections to the game will be overcome.

Next year promises to see an innovation which should also prove beneficial to the sport. Fielding H. Yost, director of athletics at the University of Michigan, plans to have two varsity teams, one playing at home and the other visiting other colleges. This is the plan which E. M. Hopkins, president of Dartmouth College, proposed last winter and it will be interesting to see just how it works out.

That the sport itself is a splendid one is generally admitted, and it is gratifying to know that those who are its firmest friends are giving the situation serious thought, not with a view to abolishing it, but in the hope of making it take its rightful place in college activities.

### Random Ramblings

During the holiday season many stores have been displaying not only the familiar square and rectangular purses, but many round, oblong, triangular, and octagonal purses as well. After the holidays, however, we may see many flat purses in evidence.

Although Colonel Lindbergh is, in the people's thought, associated so closely with being up in the air almost all the time, he is, so far as his actual experience is concerned, apparently never "up in the air" at all.

A novel has been running serially in a Japanese newspaper for twelve years and is still going strong, says a report. Whoever gets time, after reading "What has gone before," to "Now go on with the story?"

Now that the United States Military and Naval Academies appear to have severed athletic relations, why not let them join Harvard and Princeton to form a League of Colleges for Arbitration.

Report comes from the Royal Horticultural Show in London of a new orchid that cannot be seen by the naked eye. Usually it is the price, and not the orchid, however, that is out of sight.

New Hampshire has started a movement to electrify every farm in the State. As this trend continues, the city may come to be figuratively as well as literally the lesser half of electricity.

Can it be doubted that the \$100,000,000 American dairy merger reported to be in the making will consist of the cream of the trade?

A new five-million dollar university is to be built near Hollywood. Will this bring a higher type of college comedy?

Wonder how long it will be before "flivver" will be classed as an obsolete word.

Eliminating the middleman does not always make both ends meet.

Respect for others usually wins others' respect.

### "In Bethlehem of Judea"

THE visitor in Palestine usually plans to make an early excursion to the scene of the Saviour's birth. A series of circumstances caused us, to delay, however, and it was not until we had spent several weeks in the Holy Land that on a beautiful Sunday afternoon we found ourselves on our way to Bethlehem accompanied by two friends, members of the English colony now settled in Jerusalem to administer the affairs of government.

We had planned to see Bethlehem and Hebron on the same trip, but as the Mosque of Machpelah at the ancient capital of Judea is one of Islam's most sacred shrines, it was necessary to secure special tickets of admission from the Mufti in Jerusalem. During the festival of Nebi Musa, which is held during the Christian's holy week, Christians are not admitted to the mosque, so we were obliged to wait until the festival was over and affairs in the ancient capital had again assumed their accustomed aspect. In the meantime came our friends to take us to Bethlehem.

The road to Bethlehem and Hebron runs out from the Jaffa Gate, and descending abruptly crosses the vale of Hinnom by the great stone dam which tradition says was the south wall of the pool of Gihon, of which Heseiah speaks. To the left, as we make the ascent beyond, lies the Hill of Evil Counsel, topped by ruins of a village in which stood the country house of Caiaphas. A tree standing solitary near by pointed out as that upon which Judas hanged himself. But as in the case of so many Palestinian traditions, one is fortunately under no obligation to accept it as authentic. On the Hill of Evil Counsel, Solomon built an altar to Moloch, where many abominations, including even human sacrifices, were practiced during his and subsequent reigns.

The sites of many interesting Biblical incidents lie all about us as we proceed. On our right stretches away the plain of Rephaim, a point on the border between Judah and Benjamin, scene of many encounters between the armies of Israel and their numerous enemies; there, too, David signally defeated the Philistines. A mile farther is the Well of the Magi, where tradition says the Wise Men, after their interview with Herod, stopped to draw water. Tradition also states that Mary and Joseph halted here on their way to Bethlehem.

Opposite the orthodox monastery of Mar Elias, which stands on the summit of a hill east of the road, is a memorial in the form of a seat of white marble, in Greek design, erected by Mrs. Holman Hunt in honor of her husband, to whom we are indebted for many interesting pictures of the Holy Land and its strange peoples.

As we halt for the commanding view of the country to the eastward, the Dead Sea and the heights of Nebat, our attention is drawn to the figure of an old man, sitting flat under a near-by olive tree with shirt removed, quietly "delousing" himself. That he is a Moslem holy man, we are assured, a wanderer who subsists wholly upon charity, a traveler through many lands, his earthly belongings consisting of the contents of a red handkerchief, a coconut shell, and a staff.

On the following day as we were leaving the office in the Temple Area of the Mufti, who supplied our tickets for the Hebron mosque, we saw the same old pilgrim again, properly clothed and with his bundle and staff, sitting quietly on the curb waiting for the charity upon which he depends for his subsistence.

On the left, a mile from our road, stands Jebel Fureides, or Frank Mountain, a symmetrical, truncated cone, rising several hundred feet above the surrounding country, on the top of which Herod the Great built for himself a magnificent castle. In the same vicinity is a labyrinthine grotto, the Cave of Adullam, where the youthful David came to soothe with his shepherd's flute the distraught Saul.

On the right, farther along, stands the tomb of Rachel, a shrine cared for by the Jews, yet equally venerated by Moslem and Christian. The story of Jacob's bereavement as set forth in Genesis reads: "And Rachel died, and was buried in the way to Ephrath, which is Bethlehem. And Jacob set a pillar upon her grave: that is the pillar of Rachel's grave unto this day." There is, however, some difficulty in reconciling this location with the statement that the tomb was situated on the boundary between Judah and Benjamin.

From Jerusalem our road for the most part has kept to the high places, traversing a country of vineyards and of groves of olive and fig trees. It bears a distinct air of prosperity, many of the dwellings being substantial, some even pretensions.

Beyond Beit Jala, a flourishing Christian village set in the midst of the largest olive grove in Palestine, the road forks, the right hand leading by the pools of Solomon on to Hebron; the left, direct to Bethlehem, which now stands in full sight before us. Just beyond the fork of the road, an iron inclosure surrounds David's Well, identified as the well of Bethlehem which is by the gate, from which, when the Israelites were besieged by the Philistines, David's three mighty men at great risk brought water. Entering the town by a narrow street, we find ourselves in the old market place before the Church of the Nativity, the center of interest for all pilgrims.

Bethlehem, next in interest only to Jerusalem, is one of the oldest cities in Palestine. Besides the one event which all Christendom holds in sacred memory, it has many other associations of compelling interest. It was the home of Naomi and Boaz, the scene of the romantic idyl so appealingly told in the book of Ruth. It was also the home of Jesse and of David, who was called from

tending his father's sheep in the near-by hills to be anointed King over Judah and Israel.

"Bethlehem" means the "house of bread," probably because of the plenteousness of the crops produced in ancient times in the fertile fields which surround it. It is claimed, and it seems with good authority, that the variety of corn from which originated cultivated wheat was indigenous only in this country. The Old Testament name Ephrath signifies fertility.

Bethlehem sits astride two ridges some 2500 feet above the Mediterranean, overlooking on the north the Valley of the Carob Tree, Wady el Kharoubah, and on the south it touches the Wady el Rahib. It is now a prosperous town of approximately 20,000 people. Its inhabitants, said to be descendants from the Crusaders, with a mixture of Arab and Syrian, are intelligent and energetic. Besides their chief interests which are agriculture and animal husbandry, they also manufacture a large variety of religious souvenirs of mother-of-pearl, olive wood, and the Dead Sea stone, an industry dating back many centuries. The three religious groups, Orthodox Greek, Roman Catholic, and Armenian, have established various institutions in the town and its environs.

The two chief objects of interest in Bethlehem are the Church of the Nativity and the Shepherd's Field. The church is probably the oldest Christian church in the world. It stands over the grotto containing the traditional manger in which was cradled the infant Saviour, and it is believed that the cave or grotto was connected with the inn in which the Christ-child was born. Cander, author of "Tent Work in Palestine," says, "The rude grotto with its rocky manger may, it seems to me, be accepted by even the most skeptical of modern explorers."

The location of the church at the end of the road in the eastern part of the town seems a very probable site for the inn, the purpose of which was to accommodate the traveler. As early as the second century, Justin Martyr mentions the site, and Origen states, "There is shown in Bethlehem the cave where he (Jesus) was born and the manger in the cave." Thus for eighteen centuries, at least, this site has been accepted. In 330 Constantine chose it as the location for his Basilica.

As our interest centers on the Church of the Nativity, we immediately proceed thither and stand long before the ancient structure, a huge pile blackened by time. There is probably no means of determining whether the present structure was actually built by the Byzantine Emperor or by Justinian, 200 years later. It seems, however, that Justinian at least overhauled it. The Crusaders found it intact, and it escaped the ferocious assaults by the numerous enemies of Christianity to which Jerusalem has been subjected.

The Basilica is quite hidden by the convents, Latin, Orthodox Greek, and Armenian; which cling to its outer walls. The atrium is shown, from which three doors lead into the vestibule of the church. Two of these have been closed and the third greatly reduced in size, the better to resist Moslem assault, as well as to keep out wandering camel or stray donkey. The interior is of the simplest architecture. The roof is supported by four rows of red stone columns of Corinthian design, upon several of which Crusaders' crests have been engraved. A wooden architrave surmounts each colonnade, supporting the roof timbers of English oak. Eleven circular windows are set in the upper part of each wall. A wall erected by the Greeks at the extremity of the aisles was removed by the English in 1919, thus affording an unobstructed view of the nave, double aisles, wide transept, and semicircular apse.

Down the slippery staircase we go, to a vaultlike room some forty by eleven feet, at the end of which, beneath an altar, a silver star set in the pavement is said to mark the spot where the Christ-child was born. The inscription about it reads, *Ecce de Virgine Maria Jesus Christus Natus Est*. Much controversy has been waged over the silver star because of the three sets which claim precedence here. It has been stolen at various times, and as often replaced by another.

Of the fifteen lamps which burn above the star, six belong to the Greeks, four to the Latins and five to the Armenians. We are also taken to the Chapel of the Innocents, where, it is alleged, a number of children, assembled for safety, were slain by order of Herod in his efforts to destroy the Christ-child. Through a narrow passage we pass to a rock-cut chapel, reputed to be the abiding place of St. Jerome, "Father of the Church," who first translated the Bible into Latin.

From the eastern extremity of the town, we look out upon the Shepherd's Field, clad in a garment of vernal green, sloping away eastward. Here tradition states that the shepherds, watching their flocks by night when they received from the "angel of the Lord" the good tidings of great joy. In the midst of the field is the Grotto of the Shepherds, an inclosed area, shaded by olive trees and containing a subterranean chapel, the Convent of the Shepherds, belonging to the Greek church.

The exact location of the events of that memorable night are somewhat uncertain, but we could be sure that within range of our vision transpired incidents which make strongest appeal to devout Christians everywhere, for here the Prince of Peace began his earthly career, the most signal the world has ever witnessed. We retraced our route toward the City of the Great King, fully aware that we had trod upon holy ground. A. F. G.

### Mirror of the World's Opinion

#### Humor for a College

A UNIVERSITY in the United States has been presented by one of its successful graduates with a thousand volumes of wit and humor. The gift is so unusual as itself to appear somewhat humorous, for who looks for humor in a college? But, after all, is anything so anything and yet so revealing, is anything so running over with the richness and richness of a sensitive mind and kind heart; can anything be quite so serious, as is good humor? Is there a humankind more needing teaching, if it can be expounded?

Humor has no place in curricula that include every known knowledge from Einstein's erudite theory to the recondite processes of a dry-wash laundry. The professor who ventured to expound it would be committing an academic offense, indulging in an uncultured levity, and he would doubtless be dislodged from his chair. Upon him would fall the wrath of his state or college foundation, which will condone all knowledge of which it is ignorant, but will not tolerate happy wit, of which it is suspicious.

The taught, like the learned, must be serious; the more serious they can be, the more learned they may be taken for. . . . And yet, those endearing writers, those witty commentators, those titlers at the common frailties, those simple teachers of the profoundities: what wisdom is to be extracted from their works? What love, what enlightening precepts and generous allowances, what deep philosophy will be absorbed by the students who may forsake their textbooks to browse among the thousand volumes now so unusually placed in that college library?—*Manitoba Free Press*.

#### New Initiation Ceremony for Scouts

THE Chief Scout, Sir Robert Baden-Powell, has drawn up a form of investiture, based on the initiation ceremony of ancient knights, for the enrolment ceremony of Rover Scouts. The investiture includes questions similar to those put to knights in the days of old, and picturesque and symbolic ceremonies.

The candidate first has to keep a lone vigil in some quiet spot in the open, or in a chapel, where he is guarded from interruption by his sponsors. During this vigil he must ask himself whether he has any doubt about continuing the ceremony, and such questions as, "Am I

absolutely honorable, trustworthy, and truthful?" "What are my bad points?" "Have I pluck and patience to stick to my things and to resist temptation?" "Am I strong-minded enough to keep off temptations—to drink, to harm a girl or a woman?"

After the vigil the candidate is brought before the Rover Leader at a table covered with the St. George's Cross, upon which is set an ewer of water, a basin, and a napkin. The Rover Leader says, "In ancient times it was the custom of those about to become knights to be laved with water, in token of the washing away of past misdeeds, and as a sign that they were determined to commence afresh with a clean page. Are you willing to give such a sign?" The candidate says, "I am," and then places his hands together over the basin. The sponsor takes the ewer and pours water over them. While the other takes the napkin and dries the candidate's hands. The ceremony concludes with the Rover Leader taking the new Rover Leader by the left hand and giving him a buffet on the left shoulder.—*London Observer*.

#### A Word Barred From Hospitals

"INCURABLE" is a word that should be removed from the dictionary," says Dr. Ernest P. Boas, director of the Montefiore Hospital, at the Minneapolis Conference. And his utterance will go home to a million hearts. What physicians do not know the best of them are freely confessing. The verdict that carries with it despair eliminates the hope element, crushes the will to get well, which is sometimes of more use than medicines, and it is often erroneous. To render such a verdict is to assume a grave and uncalled-for responsibility.—*Brooklyn Eagle*.

#### Rivalling the Mulligan

THE world can cut down the high cost of eating by the adoption of the Provencal scheme of cooking. This is the informal decision of the chefs of southern France. The one maxim of the Provencal cuisine is that one well-cooked savory dish makes a meal.

At the chef's dinner, Provencal onion soup, made with a duck base and thickened with toasted bread, browned onions and cheese, was one of the most popular dishes. Cassoulet à la Languedocienne was another. This dish is made of white beans, goose, onions, tomatoes, beef steak, fresh pork and pork sausage.—*Kansas City Star*.